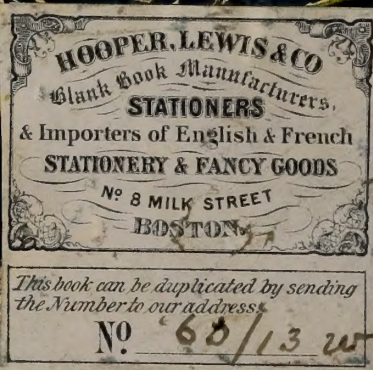
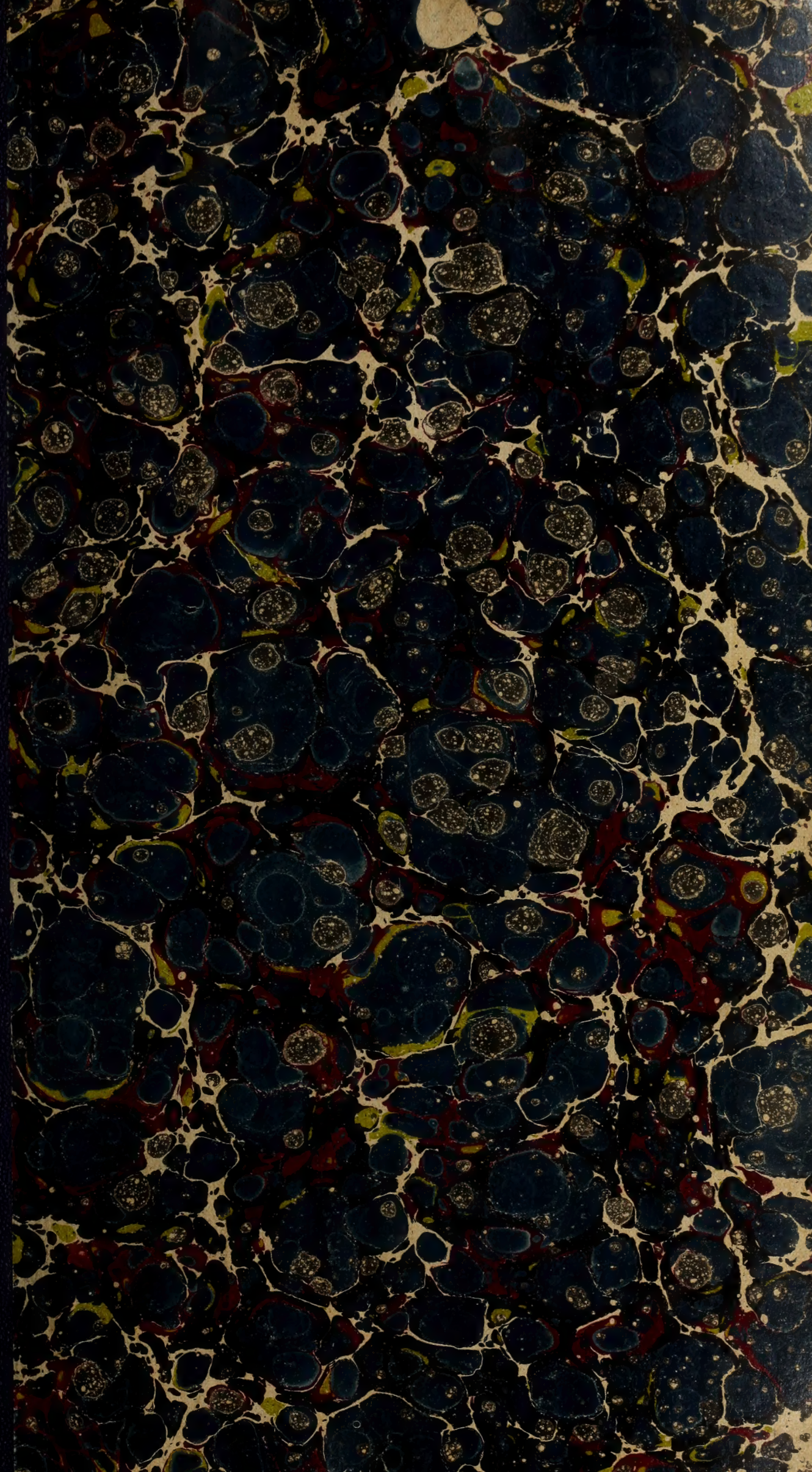








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Voted, that the Landscape Architects confer with the City Architect with reference to the plans for the building to be erected near Seaboro Pond and request him to prepare a design for said building.

Mr. Olmsted presented several studies for laying out the Tremont Entrance, also a study for carrying the saddle path under Perkins Street through an arch, also a plan for carrying the parkway along Pond Street adjoining Jamaica Pond and providing for taking a strip twenty-five feet in width from the abutting estates. The last two plans were referred to the Engineer in Charge to report estimates on the changes proposed.

An application was received from Mrs. T. H. Langley for the privilege of opening a cafe at Pinebank and it was

Voted, that the Secretary reply that the Board thinks it inexpedient to revoke the permit that Mess. Hendrie & Brothers have for opening a refectory at Pinebank and therefore cannot entertain her application.

Voted, that Mr. Kendrick confer with the Street Commissioners on the proposition to widen Seaver Street as a park boulevard.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Burnham was about to deepen his Channel by dredging and wanted to sell the material to the City for filling.

Mr. Howe was directed to see Mr. Burnham and report whether the filling could be used and what the Department could afford to pay for it.

The following were received read and placed on file.
" circular No. 78. City of Boston, Office of the Mayor,

" To the Heads of Departments. Gentlemen:-

" Any City official or employee who is a member
" of the Democratic City Committee, the Republican
" City Committee or the Prohibition City Committee,
" or any similar organization, is hereby directed to

Oct. 10. ' send his resignation forthwith to the President
1892. ' of his Committee.

" Oct. 12. 1892 Yours very truly N. Matthews, Jr., Mayor.
Boston, October 12. 1892.

" To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

" Gentlemen:- We have to submit for your consideration
" the following bids for the two buildings at Franklin Park.

" James Smith, \$ 8,900. Ellicott
\$ 6,650. Sch. Master's Hill.

" Charles Dodge. 10,872 Ellicott
6,823 Sch. Master's Hill.

" Bonney & Wentworth. 8,841 Ellicott.
8,347 Sch. Master's Hill.

" With \$ 2.50 per cubic foot to be allowed for such blasting
" as may be found necessary. The above figures do not
" include the Thatch, now being estimated upon.

Yours truly, Rotch & Tilden, per C. "

October, 13th. 1892.

To the Honl. Board of Park Commissioners -

of the City of Boston. Gentlemen, - I have been re-
quested by the committee having charge of the celebration
of the 400th. anniversary of the discovery of America by
Christopher Columbus to ask you if you will have the
kindness to allow them permission to fire a salute in the
new Park in Charlestown known as Charlestown Heights
on Friday, October 21st. and also a display of fire-works
and band concerts at Wood Island East Boston and
Marine Parks So. Boston. Awaiting an early reply as
the time is getting short I remain, Yours respectfully

A. H. Peters, City Messenger.

October, 14th. 1892.

To the Board of Park Commissioners, Gentlemen, -

In addition to my request yesterday, I would most
respectfully ask you that permission be given to give
a band concert on the Charles Park on the afternoon
of October 21st., this concert will be given on the bridge
leading from the building to the gymnasium but we
have no stand that we could erect for that day, if.

satisfactory I will provide chairs for the musicians.
 Please let me know at your earliest convenience and
 oblige, yours respectfully, A. H. Peters, City Messenger.

October, 14th 1892.

To the Board of Park Commissioners, Gentlemen.-
 Councilman Proctor of Ward 23 who is a member of the
 committee for the celebration of Oct. 21st suggested to me
 as we have a salute to fire in West Roxbury that day
 that it be fired on Franklin Park provided there be
 no objections. Will you have the kindness to let
 me know as early as possible the location on the park
 for the salute to be fired and oblige,

Yours respectfully, A. H. Peters, City Messenger.
 and it was

Voted, that the request of the Committee on Columbus
 Celebration as presented by the City Messenger
 be allowed excepting the Salute proposed to be
 fired at Franklin Park which may be fired
 at Franklin Field if the committee so desires.

Geo. F. Clarke,
 Secy.

Boston, October 24. 1892.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners
 was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.
 Present Mess. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick.
 Also present Mess. E. W. Howe and E. D. Polton.
 The record of the last meeting was read & approved.
 Dudley A. Dorr, Counsel, and a committee of the
 South Boston Yacht Club came before the Board
 in the matter of its claim for damages for the taking
 of its leasehold estate. Mr. Dorr said the Club pay
 \$400. per annum and sublet a part for \$225. per
 annum. The locker rents amount to about \$1,000
 per year. A preliminary form of agreement
 prepared by Mr. Dorr was informally discussed.

Oct. 24. The Commissioners said that the matter of a new loca-
1892. tion should be determined now and that they could refer the matter to the landscape architects.

Mr. Rockwood Hoar, representing Senator Cameron who he said now owns the estate of Luther H. Dana on Woodman Street near the Arboretum, and Mr. William P. Fowle came before the Board to see what terms could be made for a settlement of damages for the taking of a strip of land from said estate. The commissioners replied that they were ready to pay the assessed value of the land taken, but that so far from paying any greater amount they thought the benefit would ultimately exceed the damages especially if a street were laid out over the strip taken which was understood to be the intention of the Board of Survey.

Mr. Edward J. Broome attorney for George D. Welles came before the Board and offered to accept the present assessed value of the lot of land in the Peat Meadow taken for Franklin Field or \$1,300. Whereupon it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed May 19. 1892. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Talbot and Blue Hill Avenues in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to George D. Welles as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said George D. Welles the sum of Thirteen hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the chairman sign a request to the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks. The Chairman stated that Mr. William H. Wilder had offered to settle the damages for the taking of the lot belonging to the Heirs of Marshall P. Wilder adjoining that of

George D. Welles for five thousand dollars and the Chairman was authorized to make him an offer on the same basis as that just accepted for the Miller property.

Mrs. M. F. Welles contractor for grading at Hood Island Park stated that the City Engineer estimated 7300 cubic yards of filling delivered while he had actually put in 11,000 cubic yards by pear and car measurement, and that owing to the excessive shrinkage he will have to put in about 15,000 cubic yards to fill what was estimated at 11,000 cubic yards, showing a settlement of the underlying mud of 30 or 40 ft. and that on account of this unusual displacement he ought not to be held to a strict construction of the contract which provides for no allowance for settlement or compression. The matter was referred by the Board to the City Engineer.

A communication was received from Mrs. Tennison in regard to her tenure of office as matron at the Marine Park, and the Engineer in Charge was authorized to say to her that the Board as at present advised will be disposed to continue her in the position but cannot bind itself.

Voted, that the final estimate of work done and materials furnished by Albert A. Little & Co. under their contract for furnishing 1,770.18 lineal feet of curbstone for the Parkway, Back Bay Fens, dated May 3, 1892, be allowed and paid notwithstanding the penalty for delay in completing said contract beyond the time limit.

Mr. Howe reported that the saving of filling and earth by Messrs. Grimes's latest plan for carrying the Parkway along Pond Street at Jamaica Pond would amount to about nine thousand dollars and that the amount of land taken would be about 32,000 square feet.

The following was received:

"To the Honorable Park Commissioners of Boston.

"I most respectfully request the permission for myself and one other with me that, the privilege

(Oct. 20. 1892. " of taking clams from the flats at Wood Island
 " Park. Trusting that I shall receive a favorable
 " reply. I am, yours truly, Bernard Munkell
 " 365 Princeton Street, East Boston, October 20. 1892. "
 and it was

Voted, that clam digging be allowed at Wood Island
 Park under the direction of the Sergeant of Police
 by all persons who desire the privilege.

The following were received read and placed on file.
 " Boston, October 20. 1892.

" To the Park Commissioners, of the City of Boston.

" Dear Sirs: On the 12th inst. we rendered you
 " a statement giving amounts of all bids received for
 " the two buildings proposed at Franklin Park. As stated
 " the bids did not include the estimate for thatches, which
 " we are now in receipt of from Mr. Ross, as follows:-

" Ellicott Cottage, best quality hand thrashed Rye straws
 " to be used for thatch, surface not to exceed 4210 cubic feet,
 " \$2000. School Master's Hill Cottage, thatch of same
 " material surface not to exceed 3675 cubic feet, \$1000.

" Awaiting your approval, we remain, very truly yours,
 " Rolch & Vilden. Architects,"
 Boston, Oct. 17. 1892.

" To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

" You are hereby notified that Eben Munay of
 " Boston has this day assigned to me all claim he has
 " to damages because of the taking by the City of Boston
 " for a Public Park of his estate corner of Centre Street and
 " Wild Park in said Boston said taking having been
 " by your vote passed April 29th. 1892. and recorded
 " June 27. 1892. Suffolk Reg. of Deeds Libro 2069 folio 32.
 " 33 &c. Same has been assigned to me as collateral security
 " to a certain loan made him by me this day.

" Yours truly, Geo. R. Forder.

October, 24. 1892.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

" On July 23. 1891, being about fifteen months
 " ago. I made you a written offer of the terms upon

" which I would settle my claim against the City for
 " South Boston flats taken from me by the City for a
 " public park. In this offer, no reply has yet been
 " given. As this very prolonged inaction upon my offer
 " would seem to indicate the purpose of the Board not
 " to act upon it at all, I hereby withdraw it, and
 " any and all other offers that may have been made
 " by me for the settlement of the claim.

" Yours very truly William M. Hart,
 " by his attorney Eugene A. Hagar."

" Boston Oct. 22, 1892.

" Mr. Geo. F. Clarke Secy. Dear Sir: Yours of 18th
 " received. I will sell the land cor. Centre and Walter
 " Streets for 17 cents per foot. Very truly,
 " E. M. Skinner."

The Secretary stated that Mr. Fowler had said that
 Eben Murray would settle his claim for damages and
 convey the whole estate for \$7,500 if he is allowed to
 take the house. The Board
 Voted, that the offer be not accepted.

Geo. F. Clarke,
 Secy.

(Boston, October, 31, 1892.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners
 was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore and Wendrichen. Mr. Hacker
 being absent from the City, also present Mess.
 F. L. & J. C. Olmsted, Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. Trask came before the Board to negotiate a
 settlement of damages for land taken from Rebecca
 C. Trask. The Board agreed to pay 25 cents per
 foot for the land taken and assume the betterment
 on the remainder of the lot which is to be held sub-
 ject to the usual restrictions. Mr. Trask accepted the
 offer subject to his wife's approval.

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Mr. C. H. Swan acting for Mr. Kindall offered to settle for 30 cents per foot for the land taken on Pullenwood Street which offer the Commissioners declined. It was also voted, to decline the offer of Mrs. Brackett & Palmer to take

thirteen thousand dollars for their estate in 'Amma's Wood'. The Secretary stated that Dr. William C. Stevens had agreed to accept the assessed value of the land taken from his estate at Five Corners and hold his remaining land subject to the usual restrictions provided the City would assume the betterments, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to William S. Stevens as appears by said act this be awarded and paid to the said William S. Stevens the sum of Five hundred and one dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expense in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A communication was received from Mr. H. Kilder offering to accept fifteen hundred dollars for the land taken from the estate of Marshall S. Kilder for the Franklin Field. He also stated that by old deeds the property included over $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres, or about 6,600 feet more than shown by the City's survey. It was thereupon Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed May 19, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee

certain parcels of land at or near Salbot and Blue Hill Avenues in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties whom of a certain parcel of land belonged to the Heirs or Devises of Marshall P. Wilder, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Anne J. Piquin, William W. Wilder, Grace S. Wilder, Semina R. Wilder, Edward D. Wilder, Belle Wallace, Annie R. Ayer, Edith Wallace and Jennie W. Wallace the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The following was received.

" City Hall Oct. 24th 1892.
 " City of Boston, Board of Park Commissioners.
 " Gentlemen: To put a ^{kind} slated roof on the
 " "Shelter" at Franklin Park will cost, at the least,
 " \$2000.- probably more; and, in view of my past
 " experience with that ^{kind} of roof, I am doubtful as to
 " its durability. Will the Commission please con-
 " sider an ogee tile roof, which would be picturesque
 " in a different way? Yours truly,

Edmund M. Wheelwright, City Architect

By P. J. Marrow, Chief Clerk.

and the Secretary was directed to request the City Architect to give the Board an estimate of the cost of the ogee tile roof and that the Board would reply to his letter next week.

Mr. John E. V. Hayden came before the Board and stated that the Title Insurance Company declined to pass the title of the lot formerly belonging to Dennis A. Reardon adjoining the Parkway at

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South Boston on account of an agreement in a deed from said Reardon to the City giving said City the right to purchase at the rate of two cents per square foot so much not exceeding one half of his remaining land south of East Ninth Street as may be required by the Park Commissioners for the extension of the Parkway, and to convey said land by a deed containing all the restrictions and agreements included in the City's printed form of deed for the Parkway at South Boston.

Mr. Hayden requested a vote of the Board releasing him as the owner of said land from said agreement, the extension of the Parkway not now requiring the land in question. It was thereupon

Resolved, to release John E. V. Hayden, claiming under Dennis J. Reardon, from the agreement contained in the deed of said Reardon to the City dated Jan'y. 12, 1891, and recorded in the Suffolk Registry of Deeds Lib. 1976 Fol. 518, to convey to the City for park purposes not exceeding one half of his remaining flats at the same rate, when so requested, provided that said Hayden shall by a sufficient deed or agreement subject said land to all the restrictions and agreements included in said City's printed form of deed for the parkway at South Boston.

Mr. C. M. Partelow came before the Board and presented a statement of his receipts and payments on account of the Charlestown boat service showing the earnings of the boats to have been \$1,130.64 and expenses \$732.90 as follows: Wages \$520. Rent \$200. Taxes on boats \$12.90

Mr. Partelow said that the balance of about \$400 was not enough to cover depreciation and loss of boats, he having sold 13 boats at a loss of \$351. besides losing several outright. He asked that the balance of rent \$100. be abated, and that a new license be given him for next year free of rent or at a nominal sum only. Mr. Partelow also requested that he be allowed to consolidate the boat service at Charlestown at the upper landing near the South Lodge instead of maintaining the two indigo as at present.

He said that the debris from the river had a tendency to collect at the north landing making the place disagreeable at times and especially so the past season during which the river has been in a very foul condition. The bad state of the river had also decreased the demand for boats and the consequent receipts. The Commissioners deferred action on Mr. Partelow's requests and asked Mr. Olmsted to consider the question of consolidating the boat service at the South Landing.

Mr. Partelow also made an application for the privilege of maintaining a boat service at Marine Park to include row and sail boats and a steam launch which was read and placed on file.

A form of advertisement and specifications for steam heating for the Administration building in the Parkway was received from Shipley, Rutan and Coolidge and the matter was referred to Mr. Kendrickson to consider the specifications in conference with the Architects, and if the estimated cost is under \$2,000 to authorize the Architects to ask for bids privately and if over \$2,000 to advertise for bids.

Mess. Olmsted & Co. submitted a study, numbered 7 for east side of Jamaica Pond, dated October 31, 1892. designed to keep the bridle path on top of the bluff from Perkins to Pond Street, also for widening Pond Street on the easterly side and include the same within the Parkway. The plan was approved and the Secretary was authorized to have a survey made for the purpose of taking the lands required to carry out the plan along with the other lands for which taking papers have been authorized.

The plan for carrying the bridle path under Perkins Street by an arch, submitted at the meeting of October 17. was considered with a rough estimate of cost (about 14,000) made by the City Engineer and it was Voted, that the plan for bridle path to cross Perkins Street at grade be adhered to.

Mr. Howe stated that Mrs. Tennihan had resigned

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her position as Matron at Marine Park to take effect Thursday and it was Voted, to close the Refectory building at Marine Park on Thursday and to close the Charlestown Gymnasium at 5 P.M. after to day.

Mr. Howe was authorized to sell the Weathers and old Sives at Franklin Park numbering about forty.

Geo. H. Belcher,
Secy.

Boston, November 7, 1892.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick, also present Mess. F. L. & J. B. Olmsted & E. W. Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved. Corporation Counsel Tabson came to confer with the Board in the May & Fleitmann case. He said that he thought they could not maintain their exceptions. In regard to the taking of additional land from them he said that he understood from their attorney that they were about to sell their remaining land to a syndicate for about eighteen cents per foot.

In the case of George H. Spence he recommended that Spence's offer of \$350.00 to settle the case be accepted rather than have the case tried. He said the offer carried restrictions on the remaining land and no betterments it was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to George H. Spence as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said George H. Spence, the sum of Three hundred and fifty dollars upon his proving title thereto and

giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway Muddy River, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Mr. C. H. Swan representing Moses Kimball came before the Board and said that Mr. Kimball had authorized him to settle for the 5,829 square feet of land taken for Twelve hundred dollars with an agreement of restrictions on his remaining land and no betterments in the usual form. Subsequently it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Fire Corners, so called, in Dorchester belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land was supposed to belong to Moses Kimball as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Moses Kimball the sum of Twelve hundred dollars upon his proving title to the southerly part thereof containing 5829 square feet and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Mr. Towne reported that the Water Board said that they

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cannot do the work of laying water pipes in the Parkway as the Mayor objected to expending the money.

At Mr. Howe's suggestion it was Voted, that the Water Board be requested to lay water pipes in the Audubon Road westward from Brookline Avenue in order to supply the administration building.

Mess. F. P. Mabury and R. E. Young came before the Board to request that in filling the cut made for the outlet drain for Franklin Field the filling might be limited to the proposed grade of the street, and the balance of the material be left to them as the owners of the street to be used in grading the street. This work they expected to do at once. It was thereupon

Voted, that F. P. Mabury and R. E. Young owners of land on either side of Chapman Avenue may take the material left on the ground after the trench is filled to the proposed grade of the street, provided that they will fence the street and be responsible for damages.

An application was received from George Knight for permission to play golf in Franklin Park, and it was Voted, that permission be granted to George Knight and others to play the game of golf in Franklin Park, experimentally, for one year subject to the general supervision of the Sergeant of Police and provided also that the game shall be played on grounds arranged so as not to cross walks or drives.

Voted, that the sum of two hundred dollars already paid to L. M. Parlow be accepted in full settlement for the privilege of letting boats at Charlesbank for the season of 1892.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to allow the men to quit work at 12 m. on the days of the State and City elections without loss of pay to give time to vote.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a revised plan of grading Tremont Entrance and it was

Voted, that the plan of Tremont Entrance as presented

be adopted.

Voted, that said Entrance be the next work undertaken after the present work on the Back Bay Fens is completed.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for park drive near Mr. Morse's house and Mr. Olmsted was requested to prepare a new plan carrying the drive at a lower elevation nearer the pond.

Mr. Olmsted also presented a plan for taking land on the Perkins estate for the Parkway and the Chairman was authorized to write to Mrs. Perkins in regard to the matter.

The Chairman stated that he had conferred with Mr. Donnelly in reference to his (Donnelly's) suggestion that the sum of Four thousand dollars be added to the amount to be paid for the land taken on account of the damages for sloping the filling upon the remaining land and the cost of renewing the fences on the line after the filling is made and had suggested that Mr. Howe's estimate of Two thousand dollars was sufficient to cover that expense. After some discussion the Chairman was authorized to propose that the City take and pay for the strip of 20 feet for sloping and planting, the fences to be set up on the new line at the cost of the City.

The following communications were received and referred to the Chairman for reply see L.B.4.p.p. 557. 559. 561.

" Street Department, Boston, Nov. 5. 1892.

" Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State Street. Gentlemen:-

" The building of the Culvert across Brookline Avenue, near the Brookline line, will necessitate an extensive change in the grade of the street. As no appropriation is available in this department for the construction of this street, and as the necessary work is due to the construction of your parkway in the vicinity, it would seem to me that the expense of constructing Brookline Avenue should be borne by your department. Will you be kind enough to let

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" me know whether or not the expense of this work will
" be borne by you? Yours truly, H. H. Carter.

Supt. of Streets.

" Office of the Mayor, November 4, 1892.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners, Gentlemen:-

" What arrangements have been made about the 'Marquet'
" statue? Cannot your Board make arrangements to
" store it? Yours very truly, A. Matthews Jr.

" Owen Villa, Newport, R.I.

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" My dear Sir: Mr. Olmsted has kindly allowed me to
" see his plan for that portion of the Park of which our land
" would form a part, and this plan meets with my entire
" approval. I shall be very glad to sell to the City the
" land they propose taking and hope the terms offered may
" be such as I can as trustee for my children's property accept
" without hesitation. Truly yours Frances D. Perkins.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, November 14, 1892.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was
held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick,
also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.
The record of the last meeting was read and approved.
Hon. Jacob H. T. Reid came before the Board to
confer in the matter of damages for the taking of land
from P. F. Mc. Donald for Franklin Field.

Mr. F. D. Perkins came before the Board to confer
in regard to the proposed taking of land from the
estate of C. G. Perkins and a communication was
received from Mrs. Perkins on the same matter,
subsequently it was

Voted, to offer twelve cents per foot for the land within
the red line on the plan, and if that is not ac-
ceptable to the owners to take to the blue line shown

on the plan, and the Chairman was authorized to submit said proposition to Mr. Perkins.

Mr. E. W. Skinner came before the Board in the matter of the proposed taking of land from Caroline E. Skinner for the Arboretum. The Commissioners agreed to add 25% to the valuation of the land thereby raising their offer to \$14,000 which Mr. Skinner accepted, and it was voted, that there be purchased of Caroline E. Skinner, for the purposes of a public park, a certain parcel of land, on Centre and Foster Streets in that part of Boston which was formerly West Roxbury, containing 109,126 square feet more or less, and being shown on a plan of the same made by J. Edwin Jones, Surveyor, dated November 1, 1892, on file in the office of this Board and that there be paid to the said Caroline E. Skinner the sum of fourteen thousand dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor, containing the limitation for said purposes; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Mr. Charles H. Gallagher came before the Board to confer in regard to a settlement of the claim of the Choate Burnham estate for damages for the taking of lands for the Parkway, Old Harbor.

Mr. L. A. Dorr and a committee of the South Boston Yacht Club came before the Board.

Mr. Dorr said that the Club did not favor the proposition of the Sandebeck architects to locate the Club House on land inside of the Parkway with a landing on the water side, and hoped that the Board would grant a location for the house on the outside edge of the Parkway. He said that they would be willing to go down towards the point near L Street if anchorage grounds were dredged.

ser. 14. equal to those they now had.

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The Commissioners said that they could grant an outside location if Mr. Bailey and Mr. Dorr could agree on a form of judgment that would cover the claim for damages in the event of their being disturbed in such location during the term of their present lease.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Frash had been in to say that they would accept the offer of the Board to pay twenty five cents per foot for the land taken for the Parkway, Old Harbor, and give the usual deed.

It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Rebecca L. Frash as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Rebecca L. Frash the sum of Twenty four hundred and sixty and $\frac{75}{100}$ dollars, upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Mr. Jackson submitted a plan for an open ditch for draining Franklin Field which was considered & it was Voted, that a new plan of ditch be prepared following as near as may be the outside boundary of the field.

Mr. Howe presented an estimate of work done and amount due under J. M. Welles' contract for grading at Wood Island Park and called attention to the

additional amounts of earth excavation and filling beyond the amounts called for in the contract.

Mr. Howe stated further, that the additional work done resulted from an error in the Engineer's figures of the estimated amount of work to be done and that no displacement was allowed for in making up the estimate. It was thereupon

Voted, that the additional work be done under said contract and that the Chairman approve the estimates for payment thereof.

Mr. Howe also stated that the cost of repairing the Engineer's office building at South Island for the occupancy of the Ordnance Sergeant would be about four hundred dollars, and that a part of the building could be reserved for the use of the Department, and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to repair said building at an estimated expense of four hundred dollars.

Mr. Walker stated that the question of the location of the Farragut Statue could not be passed upon formerly by the Art Commission as no request for it to do so had been made by the City Government, and at his suggestion a letter was sent to the Mayor calling his attention to the matter (see letter book 4. p. 575)

Communications dated Nov. 8th & 11th, relating to the State of the appropriation for park purposes, and the work which in the judgment of the Board should be done with the remainder of the appropriation were also forwarded to the Mayor (see letter book 4. p. p. 563, 571)

Mr. Olmsted submitted a new study for the Parkway on the west side of Jamaica Pond dated November 10, 1892.

The following was received and referred to the City Engineer for report.

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" The Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the
" petition of Charles F. Davis, claiming balance due him
" for work performed under contract of the Board of Park
" Commissioners with James A. Cahill, having considered
" the subject, respectfully recommend reference to the
" Board of Park Commissioners. For the Committee,
" John B. Lever, Chairman. Accepted and referred accord-
" ingly. Sent down for concurrence. In Common Council
" November 10, 1892. concurred. A true copy.

" Attest: (signed.) John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk.
" To the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline, municipal
" corporations established in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts
" to either or both:-

" The undersigned, Charles F. Davis, of Ashland, in said
" Commonwealth, hereby gives notice of his claim amounting
" to five hundred six and seventy-three hundredths dollars
" (\$506.73), being for balance due him for work performed
" under the contract bearing date June 1891 of the said
" City of Boston by its Board of Park Commissioners and
" said Town of Brookline by its Board of Park Commissioners
" of the first part, and James A. Cahill of the second part,
" to do work and furnish materials necessary to construct
" complete, ready for laying track, a railroad in Ashland.

" The claim of said Davis is for work performed in construct-
" ing said railroad under said Cahill, as per statement
" hereto annexed, and remains unpaid; and he asks that
" sufficient sums of money be retained out of amounts
" due said Cahill, and that the same be paid to him in
" discharge of his said claim. Dated this 13th. day of
" January A. D. 1892. (signed.) Charles F. Davis.

" G. T. Higley, Atty. Ashland, Mass."
James A. Cahill, to Charles F. Davis, Sr.

To 4642 ft. Fencing at 12½ cts.	580.25	
" 5711 ft. (D. M. Spruce) Lumber placed at \$35.00 per M.	<u>175.00</u>	755.25
By cash	100.	
" Lumber as per bill.	148.52	<u>248.52</u>
Balance due.		506.73

Geo. F. Clarke, Secy.

Boston, Nov. 21. 1892.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick, also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe, & J. C. Olin.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids were received and publicly opened and read:

Proposals for erecting the steam heating apparatus in the Administration building in the Parkway.

Walker & Pratt Manufacturing Company. \$ 1,067.

A. A. Sanborn. 955.

Waltham Construction & Supply Company. 910.

and it was

Voted, that the contract be awarded to the Waltham Construction and Supply Company.

The Board conferred with His Honor the Mayor on the subject matter of the two communications forwarded to him by the Board at its last meeting and the Mayor assented in writing to the recommendations therein as follows:

November 21st 1892.

" Board of Park Commissioners: Gentlemen: -

" I have considered the scheme for park lands
" set forth in your letter of the 14th. and hereby
" approve the same. I hereby assent to your
" making contracts for \$ 258,800 in three instalments before
" Feb. 1st. 1893, as suggested in your letter of the
" 18th. inst.

Yours very truly

N. Matthews Jr. "

How. J. St. O. Neil came before the Board in regard to P. F. Mc. Donald's claim for damages for land taken for Franklin Field. He said that Mr. Mc. Donald wanted a shilling per foot for the land taken, and asked if the Board had any proposition to make for a settlement. The Commissioners replied that they were not prepared to make any offer at present.

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The Chairman stated that Mr. Andrew J. Peters had notified him that Mary R. Peters and others would accept twenty five hundred dollars for the land on Centre Street owned by them which was intended to be taken for the Arnold Arboretum and it was

Voted, that there be purchased of Mary R. Peters and others for the purposes of a public park, a certain parcel of land on Centre Street in that part of Boston which was formerly West Rabbey, containing 25,725 square feet, more or less, and being shown on a plan of the same made by J. Edwin Jones, Surveyor, dated November 1, 1892. on file in the office of this Board and that there be paid to Mary R. Peters, Emily M. Ireland, Dudley R. and Susan H. Whitney the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same satisfactory to the City Solicitor, containing the limitation for said purposes; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The Chairman stated that he had conferred with Mary J. Love owner of the land taken for Franklin Field and supposed to belong to Stephen P. Weld formerly of the heirs or devisees of William S. Love and recommended that \$250. be paid to her in settlement of her claim for damages the assessed value of the land being \$200. and it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed May 19.

1892, a public park was located and laid out in the city of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Talbot and Blue Hill Avenues in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land was supposed to belong to Stephen P. Weld formerly of the heirs or devisees of William S. Love as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Mary J. Love the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same; also an acquittance and discharge

of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that in view of the fact that it does not at present seem that this Department will need to use the grounds recently acquired from Caroline E. Skinner, Mary R. Peters and others, and Frederick S. Kent, at the corner of Centre and Walter Streets, the Director of the Arnold Arboretum is invited to plant these grounds, with reservation of the right in the Park Department to use the grounds in the future if in its opinion the necessity shall arise.

Voted, that when the title of the Skinner Estate passes to the City the tenant be given notice to vacate and the buildings be sold at public auction to be removed.

Voted, that the Secretary notify the purchaser of the buildings on the Rindge Estate at Jamaica Pond to remove the same in seven days from November 28th.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be directed to fill the cellars in the Trottingham and Rindge Estates when the buildings are removed.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to put drains through the Parkway to drain the lands formerly belonging to Nancy M. Dauner, and that the Chairman be requested to confer with the present owners in regard to further abating the nuisance now existing on said lands by filling the same.

The City Engineer submitted a new plan for a ditch to drain Franklin Field which was adopted, and the City Engineer was authorized to advertise for proposals for doing said work.

The following was received.

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Architect Department, City Hall, Nov. 17, 1892.

Board of Park Commissioners. Gentlemen: - The lowest estimate received for thatching shells in Franklin Park with the thatch of desirable thickness was \$2700, not including cost of wire netting to protect underside from vermin say \$700. I have estimate for boarding roof with 1 1/4" hard pine matched and beaded and shingling with best cypress shingles shellacking and varnishing inside of roof \$1600, and an alternative to roof with special cypress shingles 2 1/4" long 9" to 12" wide, 3/4" at butt laid directly on present purlins (which are 12" o.c.) the shingles to be shellacked & varnished on exposed underside \$1740. Roofing with 2" thick Eureka Green slate laid on present purlins exposed on underside \$1800 or ^{laid} tile in elastic cement and painted on inside \$1875. The last would be the most picturesque substitute for the thatching. Coun truly

Edmund W. Whelanright, City Architect.

and it was

Voted, to adopt ^{the} ogee tile roof at \$1875. and authorize the City Architect to proceed with the work.

A letter was received from M. S. Polles requesting that the park land adjoining Sigourney Street be improved to correspond with its immediate vicinity in view of the abandonment of the proposed Sigourney Street widening, and it was

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be requested to consider the laying out of the park adjoining Sigourney Street and report a plan.

A report was received from the Committee in Charge of the Women's Gymnasium and Children's playground at Charlestant and consideration thereof deferred to a subsequent meeting.

A report was received from Serg't. W. A. Dennis in regard to a complaint made by Mrs. Matherson of 53 S. Street South Boston against officer Wm. C. M. Howe for taking improper liberties with her child, and the matter was referred to the Chairman to hear the

officers story and take such action as he deemed advisable.

The following were received read and placed on file
" cir. no. 79. " City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.

" To the Heads of Departments. Gentlemen:

" The approach of the conventions of the several parties
" for the municipal election induces me to call your
" attention again to the ordinance approved June 28,
" 1892, prohibiting city employees from taking part in
" political conventions. You are requested to see that
" this ordinance is strictly obeyed.

" Yours very truly,

" November

N. Matthews, Jr.

" 16. 1892.

Mayor. "

" City of Boston, In Common Council,

November 10, 1892.

" Ordered: That the salaries of all city and county
" employees on monthly pay-rolls be allowed and paid
" for the present month on or before Wednesday, November
" 23, in anticipation of the December draft, and for
" the month of December on or before Saturday, December
" 24, in anticipation of the January draft, and the
" heads of departments are hereby directed to submit
" the pay-rolls to the City Auditor in season to have
" this order carried into effect. Passed. Sent up for
" concurrence. In Board of Aldermen, November 14.
" concurred. Approved by the Mayor, November 18, 1892.
" A true copy. Attest: J. M. Galvin, City Clerk."

Mr. Jackson submitted the following report upon
the matter of the claim of Charles F. Davis referred
to him at the last meeting of the Board and the
Chairman was requested to communicate the facts to
the City Council and recommend the reference of the
claim to the Law Department.

" Col. Thomas L. Livermore, Cham. Bd. Park Commissioners.

" Sir: The date of the petition of Charles F. Davis is
" Jan. 13, 1892. & the work covered by the contract with
" James A. Cahill was completed before the date of the

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final estimate which is Sept. 25, 1891.

"Yours respectfully, (Signed) Wm. Jackson, City Engineer."

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Margaret Costello, widow of Michael Costello the amount due him on the pay rolls of this Department.

The Secretary stated that J. S. Dean and J. W. O'Brien counsel for Ella M. McElroy desired to effect a settlement of the case if possible before next Tuesday when it would come up for trial and wished to know what terms the Board would consider favorably. It was thereupon Voted, that the Board would agree to a settlement based upon twenty-five cents per foot for the land and three cents per foot for the flats taken, and twenty-five hundred dollars for the buildings.

The following were received.

"Brookline, Mass. 14th November, 1892.

"Mr. Geo. F. Belknap, Secy. 53 State St. Boston, Mass.

"Dear Sir: We beg to enclose a copy of a letter which we have recently received from Mr. E. C. Storey, Secretary of the Massachusetts Commission of the World's Fair.

"Some application for space for the Exhibit of the Park Department should be made at once, it seems to us, either directly or through the Mayor. We happen to know that space in the Department of Liberal Arts, of which Dr. Peabody is Chief, is becoming exceedingly scarce, and unless some action is taken promptly, it will be difficult to get the necessary room.

"Yours truly, F. L. Olmsted & Co."

Boston, Mass. November 4th, 1892.

Mr. Henry S. Godman, of Mess. F. L. Olmsted & Co. 509 Exchange Building. Boston. Dear Sir: In a letter this day received from Messrs. Peabody & Stearns, they write me concerning an exhibition of Park drawings, etc., which you evidently are under the impression are to go into the Massachusetts house. This is the first that I have heard of it. I wrote Mayor Matthews many months ago suggesting to him that inasmuch as the city was to make an exhibit of its public school in—

struction, it should likewise make exhibits of its Park system, its Water system, and such other departments as he might deem wise. I have never received any reply to this letter, though I have heard in a round-about way that preparations were being made for such exhibit. No indication has been sent to Dr. Putney, in whose department this exhibit could be made, that the City intended to make any such exhibit. They certainly cannot go into the Massachusetts Building: within which no exhibit will be permitted. It seems to me that if the Park Commissioners, the Water Board, and others, are thinking of making an exhibit in Chicago, it would be well for the Chief of the Departments in which these exhibits would be installed to be informed of it at an early day.

Very respectfully yours E. L. Hovey.

Secretary & Executive Commissioner.

Mr. Olmsted reported that about 600 square feet of wall space would be needed, and the matter was referred to the Chairman to inform the Mayor of the space required for the exhibit of this Department.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for laying out the parkway on the northwest side of Jamaica Pond, dated November 18, 1892.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston, November 28, 1892.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Messrs. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick.

Also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe and J. L. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Messrs. Fox and Clark representing a part interest in the flats taken for the Parkway from Geo. P. Cushing and Geo. W. Smith conferred with the Board in regard to a settlement.

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Mr. Bernard Foley representing the House of the Good Shepherd came before the Board to protest against the proposed taking of a 25 foot strip of its property adjoining the Parkway. He said it would break up the proposed settlement of the former taking which was in a fair way of adjustment, and that they would claim heavy damages. After some discussion of the matters at issue, the Commissioners suggested that the House remove its fence temporarily to enable the filling to be completed.

Mr. J. P. Beedle for the Boston Electric Light Company came before the Board and asked permission to erect a pole on the walk adjoining Cambridge Bridge at Charlestown for the reason that they could not get a good foundation for the pole within the street limits on account of the bridge structure. Mr. Beedle was requested to present a plan showing the location desired & it was Voted, that the Boston Electric Light Company be given permission to erect a pole for electric light purposes in the planted ground of Charlestown adjoining Cambridge Bridge in such position as the Engineer in Charge may direct, said privilege to terminate upon notice by this Board.

Mr. James Stevenson came before the Board in regard to the filling of his land adjoining the Parkway, and said that when he found out what filling he needed, he should be glad to avail himself of the offer of the Board to allow him to take it under the contract with the railroad company and would pay what it cost the city. It was thereupon Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to arrange with the Boston and Albany Railroad Company for putting in such filling as Mr. Stevenson requires. The following was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

" Office of the Mayor Nov. 23, 1892.
" To the Board of Park Commissioners. Gentlemen:-
" I am in receipt of your communication concerning

" your exhibit at Chicago. The idea meets with my
 " approval; but I do not understand whether or not you
 " want me to do anything about it.

" Yours very truly N. Matthews Jr. "

A petition was received from E. L. Moulton and five others asking permission to flood the Peat Meadow, Franklin Field, for skating purposes, and it was Voted, that the privilege asked for is inconsistent with the intention of the Board to put the ditch for draining the Field under contract immediately.

A petition was received from Charles Mann and thirty six others representing that the driveways and entrances at Franklin Park are inadequate for travel and praying that they be widened and straightened was received and referred to the Landscape Architects for report.

A letter was received from Mrs. Perkins in regard to the proposed taking of a part of the C. L. Perkins Estate on Chestnut and Perkins Streets requesting further time to consider the offer of the Commissioners and suggesting that betterments had been assumed by the city in the purchase of the smaller parcel on Perkins Street. The Secretary stated that the City Conveyancer was of opinion that the agreement to assume the betterment which was made in the purchase of the latter parcel relieved the estate from any assessment for the whole park of which said parcel formed a part. The Chairman was authorized to reply to Mrs. Perkins letter according to said opinion.

The Secretary was directed to reply to Mrs. Wells of the Committee of the Emergency and Hygiene Association that the Commissioners will be glad to have the coöperation of the Association in the Superintendence of the Women's Gymnasium and Children's Playground next season, and hope to have an appropriation large enough to assume the expense of the Superintendence.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge close the overlook at Franklin Park December 1, also the temporary bridge

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to Castle Island at sunset and put up a fence on 2 Street with a gate to be closed at night.

Voted, that the matter of suspending the auxiliary police be referred to the Chairman with full power.

The Chairman presented two communications from Ayon H. Latham in reference to the record of the Board of May 8, 1891, wherein the Secretary was directed to notify John Garity on Monday through the Sergeant of Police that having failed to remove the house within 30 days as required by the vote of the Board he no longer had a right to remove it. Mr. Latham claimed that the actual vote passed, was that John Garity should be notified on Sunday and that he had an attested copy of the record, furnished him by the Secretary, which so reads, and he therefore requested that the Board vote on the question of amending the record so that it shall correspond with the attested copy furnished to him. It was thereupon

Voted, that the Board believes the record to be correct and that it stand as it is.

Mr. Kendrick stated that Hon. J. H. O'Neil had called upon him and said that if the Board would pay twenty five thousand dollars in settlement of the taking of Mc. Donald's land he thought that Mc. Donald could be induced to accept it. After some discussion a reply was made to Mr. O'Neil. (see L.B. 4. p. 587)

Mr. Jackson submitted specifications and form of contract for grading the parkway from Washington Street to Franklin Park and the City Engineer was authorized to advertise the same.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for grading the Parkway from Perkins to Elish Street dated Nov. 28. and the plan was referred to the City Engineer for estimates of the amounts of excavation and filling required by the plan.

Voted, that the Boston Water Board be requested to lay water pipes in the Fenway for about 700 feet, it being our intention to build the roadway at once.

The Secretary stated that messrs Deane & O'Brien representing Ella M. McElroy had offered to settle her claim for damages for nine thousand dollars and taxable costs and that by the direction of the Chairman he had submitted the proposition to the Corporation Council who recommended that the offer be accepted, It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle the case of Ella M. McElroy for damages for land taken for the Parkway and Harbor for the sum of nine thousand dollars and taxable costs, upon her proving title to said parcel, and giving a deed of the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

"To the Honorable the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston. Your petitioners Augustus D.

"Bradstreet and Samuel Bradstreet complain that by virtue of Chapter 180 of the Acts of 1875, the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston by an order dated April 29th 1892, have taken and located as and for a public park a parcel of land belonging to said Bradstreets being the Northeast corner of the intersection of South and Morton Streets and containing forty-two thousand, eight hundred (42,800) square feet more or less: also the fee and soil of South Street adjacent to said parcel containing between the boundary lines set forth in said order about twenty-seven thousand, five hundred and twenty (27,520) square feet: also another parcel of land belonging to said Bradstreets being the Northwest corner of the intersection of Washington and Morton Streets and containing twenty-nine thousand, one hundred (29,100) square feet more or less: also the fee and soil of Washington and Morton Streets adjacent to the last aforesaid parcel containing between the boundary lines set forth in said order about fifty-four thousand, six hundred and thirty (54,630) square feet.

"Wherefore your petitioners ask that their damages sustained by said takings and locations by said

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" Board in execution of the powers vested in them by
" said Act of 1875 may be assessed and determined.

" Boston Nov. 21, 1892. By their Atty. Woodward Emery."

Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892,
a public park was located and laid out in the City of
Boston by taking lands belonging to several persons and
parties whereof two certain parcels of land containing
respectively 42,800 square feet and 29,100 square feet
more or less, belonged to Samuel and Augustus P. Bradstreet,
as appears by said act and whereas said Samuel and
Augustus P. Bradstreet have petitioned the Board to assess
and determine the damages sustained by them by the
taking as aforesaid it is therefore

Resolved, that the Board hereby estimates and determines all
damages sustained by the owners of said parcel of
42,800 square feet, by the taking as aforesaid, at the
sum of twelve thousand five hundred dollars and of
said parcel of 29,100 square feet at the sum of Five
thousand seven hundred dollars.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, December 5, 1892.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was
held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Livermore,
Walker and Kendrick, also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe,
and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids were received and publicly opened
and read:

Canvases of bids for Franklin Field Drainage Ditch.
James Killian H. P. Nason. Neil Derens.

a.	9000 cu. yds.	45 $\frac{1}{2}$	4.095.	.58	5.220.	.64	5.760
C.	50 . . .	3.00	150	2.00	100	1.48	74
			4.245.		5.320.		5.834.

Dennis O. Connell.	Jas. Mc. Govern.	Jones & Meehan
a. .39	3,510.	38
b. 2.00	100.	1.50
	3,610.	34.20.
		32½
		2.9 2/5.
		2.00
		100.
		3,025

Nath. Const. Co.	P. F. Lonerger.	Rowe & Hall.
a. 65	5,850.	29½
b. 5.00	250.	2,688.75
	6,100	.87
		7830
		1,245.
		2.25
		112.50
		2,813.25
		7,942.50

The contract was awarded to P. F. Lonerger and the amount of bonds fixed at one thousand dollars.

Mr. Francis J. Ward came before the Board in the matter of damages for the taking of lands from himself and S. L. Ward for Franklin Field. Mr. Ward said that they would settle for five cents per foot for the whole area. The Commissioners declined the offer and suggested that an offer based upon five cents per foot for the upland and one cent per foot for the meadow and \$3,500. for the buildings would be favorably considered.

A communication was received from Jos. H. O'Neil in regard to P. J. Mc. Donald's claim for damages for land taken for Franklin Field which was read and referred to the Chairman for reply.

A letter was received from Walter O. Burbank conveying an offer from Robert A. Burbank to settle damages for land taken on Int. Vernon and Shelburne Streets for \$1,250. and it was

Voted, that the offer be declined and that an offer of 25¢ above assessed values or \$1,125. be made to Mr. Burbank in settlement of his damages.

The following was received: also reports from the Sergeants of Police in regard to the subject:

" In Common Council Oct. 27. 1892.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
 " requested to consider and report to this Council at
 " its next meeting on the expediency of retaining the
 " present permanent and auxiliary park police force
 " during the winter months, and to submit with
 " said report an estimate of the additional expense that

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would be incurred thereby: also that said board be requested to report on the expediency and expense of increasing the number of men employed on said police force. Passed in Common Council Decr. 1st 1892.

A true copy. Attest:- Joseph O'Kane, clerk of the Common Council. and a reply was made to the Common Council (see letter book 4. page 594.)

The following was received:

61 Ames Building, Boston, Decr. 3rd 1892.

to the Honorable The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, 53 State Street, Boston.

Sirs: In regard to the work at Wood Island Park. East Boston we beg to say that the work was taken privately (i.e. not in answer to advertisements for bids) at about one-half the price of the lowest bid for furnishing gravel when it was advertised. Owing to the soft bottom making it impossible to get on to the work with teams excepting when dry or frozen and the difficulty of getting men and teams to work there we now find that having put in over 17,000 cubic yards of gravel at a very great expense also having had to move nearly the entire quantity of loam twice, we fear that we shall now be unable to complete the surfacing of the whole work on account of the winter weather, though we have been working both day and night. For these reasons we hope you will think it only fair and just after we have worked so faithfully and done our very best to finish the work and having taken the work for so very much less than any one else could do it for that you should allow us for what work we have done and what gravel we have furnished. We believe the Engineers have measured the pit in Winthrop from which all the gravel taken was put on this work and we have furnished them a statement of the amount put in with plans as you requested.

We trust that your Honorable Board will consider our hardships and our losses on this work and give us as favorable a settlement as possible.

Respectfully yours.

F. W. Welles."

In regard to the condition of the work Mr. Howe reported that the work should not be accepted until the ground now unfilled has been filled and the embankment next the shore brought up to grade. As to the balance of the area covered with gravel which is about two inches below grade, on account of the settlement of the filling I think that the contractor might be relieved from bringing that up to grade.

The Chairman was authorized to reply to Mr. Wells that when the work indicated by the Engineer in Charge was finished the Board will give careful consideration to the request for extra compensation.

The Secretary submitted letters from the Superintendent of Printing, Rockwell & Churchill and the Helistype Printing Company in regard to 750 copies of 3 Helistypes missing from the balance of the last edition of the 12th Annual Report in the hands of the printer, and the Secretary was authorized to procure from the Helistype Company 750 copies each for \$67.50.

A communication was received from the Boston Cricket Club requesting that grounds at Bankin Field be designated and laid out for its use on Saturday afternoons and week day evenings, which was referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with the petitioners and report upon the cost of preparing suitable grounds, and the Secretary was directed to write to the Departments of Parks of New York, Philadelphia, Brooklyn and Chicago to inquire the conditions under which Cricket Clubs are permitted to use grounds in the Public parks and whether the right of exclusive use is given.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Peters desired the commissioners to be informed of a well on the Peters' lot at the Arboretum the water of which he claimed was equal to the Allendale Spring water and should be preserved for public use and the matter was referred to Messrs. Mott & Co. to look into the matter of laying out a path to give access to the Spring.

Mr. Olmsted was also requested to confer with Professor

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Sargent in regard to providing additional paths in the Arboretum to give more direct access to Bussey Hill from the walks near the South Street and Centre Street entrances, the need of which has been reported to the Board by the Sergeant of Police.

Mr. Christed submitted two preliminary plans for proposed park on Parker Hill, dated Decr. 2, 1892. & it was Voted, that the Secretary obtain the assessed value of the property included in the plan, and that the City Engineer report an estimate of the cost of constructing the same.

Voted, that notice be given to the occupants of the Severns House on Centre Street to vacate immediately and that the house be sold at public auction to be removed.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to place a hydrant at the end of the water pipe at Wood Island Park.

The suggestions in the report of the Committee in charge of the Women's Gymnasium that some bushes be removed to make more room for baby carriages, and that a sliding gate with putlogs, to be operated from the Lodge, be substituted for the present gate, were referred to the Engineer in charge with authority to make the changes desired.

Voted, that the City Engineer be requested to make a topographical survey of the city lot on Chestnut Hill Avenue Brighton.

Geo. H. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston December, 12, 1892

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs. Livermore, Walker, and Kendrick, also present Messrs. Jackson, Hunt, and J. B. Christed. The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids were received and publicly opened and read:

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detritus filling dumped and not spread for 51 cents per cubic yard. The Commissioners found Mr. Stevenson the benefit of the railroad companies proposal should he require any filling.

The Chairman stated that he had seen Mr. Donnelly in the matter of damages to the House of the Good Shepherd and that they had agreed upon the sum of \$3,000. to be paid in addition to the sum of \$16,070.10 previously offered. It was therefore Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30, 1891, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to The House of the Good Shepherd, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said House of the Good Shepherd the sum of nineteen thousand and seventy & $\frac{10}{100}$ dollars upon its proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, also upon its giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payments: said amount to be charged to the appropriations for Public Parks \$14,338.81 and Muddy River Improvement \$4,731.29

The Secretary stated that Mr. Willard Welch had offered to settle on the usual terms for the parcel of flats taken in his name for the Parkway, Old Harbor, and it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near Old Harbor so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Dorchester, belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Willard Welch as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Willard Welch the sum of three hundred

and sixty two and 50/100 dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The following was received

" Boston, December 8, 1892.

" Gentlemen, In reference to claims of Daniel & Bridget
 " Lynch for taking of land on Shelburne and Mt. Vernon
 " Streets, Dorchester where your Board awarded
 " \$3100 and \$2700 & \$800 I have to say that we
 " have talked with Mr. & Mrs. Lynch and find that they
 " are willing to take \$7,000, provided that you will allow them
 " to remove the buildings now on the premises and provided
 " also that they can get permission to remove said buildings
 " and that the same can be accomplished successively.
 " This offer is (I understand) about same in proportion
 " as you have allowed other owners in the vicinity.
 " Will you please advise me at once whether your Board
 " will accept these terms, & oblige Yours truly,
 " Thomas F. Reddy."

The offer was accepted and it was
 Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed
 April 29, 1892, a public park was located and
 laid out in the city of Boston by taking in fee
 certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so
 called, in Dorchester belonging to several persons
 and parties whom of a certain parcel of land belonged
 to Daniel and Bridget Lynch as appears by said
 act, there be awarded and paid to the said Daniel
 and Bridget Lynch the sum of Thirty seven hundred
 and fifty dollars, upon their proving title thereto
 and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance

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and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Noted, that Daniel and Bridget Lynch be allowed to take the house without the foundations provided that they remove it within 60 days.

Noted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Bridget Lynch as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Bridget Lynch the sum of thirty two hundred and fifty dollars, upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Noted, that Bridget Lynch be allowed to take the buildings without foundations provided she remove them within 60 days.

The following was received:

Mr. Geo. F. Clark. December 7, 1892.
Dear Sir: I have submitted the final offer of the Commissioners as to land taken and Mr. Burbank accepts the award of \$1125.⁰⁰ Kindly send check payable to Robert J. Burbank. Are any papers required to complete the transfer? Respectfully,
W. C. Burbank."

and it was

Noted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed

April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in for certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester belonging to several persons and parties whom of two certain parcels of land belonged to Robert A. Burbank as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Robert A. Burbank the sum of Seven hundred and twenty five dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The following was received.

" Boston, December 6th, 1892.

" To Thomas L. Livermore,

" Francis A. Walker,

" Paul H. Kendrick,

" Park Commissioners City of Boston.

" Gentlemen, We the undersigned contractors for
" excavating "Ponds and Grading at Franklin Park",
" hereby respectfully ask for an extension of time for
" the completion of said work to the thirty first day of
" May 1893. - this extension of time being necessary on
" account of the inclemency of the weather.

" Very Respectfully Thomas A. Rowe.

David Hall.

and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with Messrs. Rowe & Hall with a view to their continuing work as long as the weather will permit.

The following were received read and placed on file.

" City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen Nov. 28, 1892.

" Ordered: That the Board of Park Commissioners be
" requested to establish and maintain a skating ground
" in Wood Island Park, during the winter season: the

(Dec. 12. " expense, if any, to be charged to the appropriation for
 1892. " Park Department. Passed. Sent down for concurrence.
 " December 1. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
 " December 6. 1892. A true copy: Attest: John T. Priest. Asst. City Clerk.
 " City of Boston, In Common Council December 1. 1892.
 " Ordered: That the Board of Park Commissioners be
 " requested to establish and maintain a skating ground
 " at the Marine Park, during the winter season; the expense
 " to be charged to the appropriation for Park Department.
 " Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
 " December 5. concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 7. 1892
 " A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest. Asst. City Clerk.
 " Office of the Mayor. December 6. 1892.
 " To the Board of Park Commissioners.
 " Gentlemen: I have this day signed the order requesting
 " the Board of Park Commissioners to establish a skating ground
 " in Wood Island Park with the proviso that it is not to be
 " done unless your appropriation is sufficient. You are
 " therefore hereby directed not to incur the expenditure
 " unless your appropriation is sufficient.
 " Yours very truly N. Matthews Jr.
 " Office of the Mayor. December 7. 1892.
 " To the Board of Park Commissioners:-
 " Gentlemen: I have this day signed another order for a
 " skating ground, this one to be at the Marine Park, on the
 " same understanding as the other one -- that the work is not
 " to be done unless your appropriation is sufficient.
 " Yours very truly N. Matthews Jr.
 The following was received:
 " circ. No. 80. City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.
 " To the Heads of Departments, Gentlemen: You are
 " hereby directed to furnish me with the information called
 " for in the following order, viz: -
 " Ordered, that His Honor the Mayor be requested to
 " ascertain the number of men in the city employ that
 " are not citizens, and report the same to this Council
 " within two weeks. Yours very truly. N. Matthews Jr.
 " December 8. 1892. Mayor.

and the Engineer in Charge was directed to ascertain and report the facts in regard to this Department.

A request from the City Clerk for information of Park acreage and a letter from Sergt. Keefe at Castle Island, forwarded through Col. Mansfield were referred to the Chairman for reply.

A report was received from Sergeant W. A. Donnis preferring charges against Officer Benj. J. Low of intoxication and neglect of duty.

The Chairman stated that he had investigated the charges. Officers Keith & Howe had testified to evidence of intoxication on Oct. 14-16. and Nov. 28 and Officer Low admitted his guilt. It was thereupon voted, that Officer Low's suspension continue and that he be given an opportunity to resign from the Park Police within one week.

Mr. Jackson submitted plans for a drain in the Parkway between Pond and Centro Streets to take the brook water underground to the Arboretum. The plans were approved and the City Engineer was authorized to prepare a contract and specifications and advertise for proposals.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Mary Ryan widow of Patrick Ryan the amount due him on the payrolls of this Department.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to discontinue the electric lights at Marine Park.

Communications were received from the Park Departments of New York and Brooklyn in regard to the playing of games in the Public Parks which were read and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston December, 19. 1892.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Mess. Walker and Kendrick, Mr. Livermore being absent from the City, also present Mess. E. W. Hale and J. L. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved. Aeneas Mc.Eachran came before the Board to confer in regard to the taking of several parcels of land from Aeneas, Johanna and James Mc. Eachran and Eunice C. Mc. Donald for the Parkway, Old Harbor, and the settlement of damages therefor.

The following was received

" Boston, December 16. 1892.

" Gentlemen:- I write to ask what compensation
" you will allow per yard for filling on the flats taken
" by you for park purposes in Dorchester Bay. I wish to
" excavate in the neighborhood of Purnham's Wharf, and
" would like to dispose of the material dredged at a very
" moderate price, if you would be willing to pay for it for
" filling in your land. While I do not expect that you
" will pay any such prices as you are paying for filling
" at the Marine Park, I would respectfully ask that you
" designate the price per yard that you would be willing
" to pay and where the filling should be deposited.
" The material will be of the same character as that with
" which you have been filling the Marine Park from
" Revere Bay, and the amount of filling will be from
" 12,000 to 15,000 yards. I would like, if possible, that
" you consider this at your meeting Monday afternoon
" and give me an answer as to what you will be willing
" to do.

Yours very respectfully,

" Chas. J. Gallagher.

" Executor & Trustee of Charles Purnham's will."

" The Park Commissioners of the City of Boston:

Mr. Gallagher also came before the Board and was informed that the use of the filling he desires to dispose of is so remote that the Board is not disposed to offer

any thing for it, but that if it could be of any advantage to him to dump the material on the flats along ninth Street the Board could permit the same under the direction of the Engineer in Charge.

The following was received.

Boston, December, 14. 1892.

To the Park Commissioners, of the City of Boston.

It is proposed that the Boston Athletic Association issue daily bulletins of the condition of the ice on ponds and rivers near Boston, in substantially the form following:

Skating.

Boston Athletic Association Bulletin

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Caution. This Bulletin is made up from numerous reports and the Association cannot vouch for the safety of the ice. Skaters are urged to take special care in river skating.

No.	Name of water.	condition of ice,
		Whether Rough - Fair - Good
		Fine -

The co-operation of the Park Commissioners is respectfully asked, as follows:

That the proper Police officer or officers be authorized or instructed to make daily reports to the Boston Athletic Association, or to the Park Commissioners and the latter to cause such reports to be telephoned to the Association, on the condition of the ice in the following named places:

Franklin Park,	Wood Island Park,
Jamaica Pond,	Ward's Pond,
Water near Longwood Ave. and Brookline Ave.,	

- not in the Park system -

Respectfully,

Waldron Bates.

and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board would cause reports to be made to the Boston Athletic Association on the condition of the ice as follows, whether rough, fairly smooth or very smooth.

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The following was received.

Boston December 16, 1892.

Commissioners of Parks, City of Boston.

Gentlemen: I hereby resign the position I hold of a Park Police Officer of the City of Boston.

Respectfully, "Enj. V. Lee."

and the resignation of Officer Lee was accepted. A communication was received from Sewell & Smashing offering the names of Edward Clark of Uxbridge and Samuel Fowler of Northbridge as bondsmen on their contract, and it was

Voted, that said names be approved.

A letter was received from Mrs. Wells in regard to the salaries paid the attendants at the Womens Gymnasium and Mr. Howe was directed to include in his estimates the sum required therefor as stated by Mrs. Wells.

The following was received read and placed on file:

"Office of the Mayor. December 13, 1892.

"Thomas L. Livermore Esq.

Chairman Park Commissioners. Dear Sir:

I have arranged with the Sinking Fund Commissioners to take \$100,000 of the Park Loan now, and I think they will be able to take about \$250,000 more on the first of January. Yours very truly,

N. Matthews Jr."

Voted, that there be allowed and paid to James W. Richer, City Collector, the sum of twenty and $\frac{64}{100}$ dollars in payment of the taxes for 1892 upon the estate of Anna L. Wilbur situated on a passage-way in the rear of K Street, adjoining the Parkway, Old Harbor, and recently acquired for park purposes; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Mr. Howe reported that he had seen Mr. Turner Secretary of the Boston Cricket Club and that he

desired to know early whether the Board would devote a part of Franklin Field for the use of the Club next season and set an area forty yards square in order that they may fix dates for games with other clubs. A communication from the South Park Commission of Chicago in regard to arrangements for sports in the Public parks was also received.

After discussion the Secretary was directed to reply to the Boston Cricket Club that the plans for laying out Franklin Field are not sufficiently advanced to enable the Board to determine whether grounds can be devoted to such uses as are set forth in the communication of the Boston Cricket Club.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for grading Quincy Street and adjoining border of Charlestown Heights prepared under a request from Aldermen Mitchell to the Board.

Geo. H. Melrose.
Secy.

Boston, December 24, 1892.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 12 M.

Present Messrs. Livermore, Walker and Kendincken.

Also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe & F. L. & J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mayor's circular No. 81 requesting that estimates for the coming fiscal year be submitted to the City Auditor on or before the 24th December, together with the following estimates of the engineer in charge were received.

December 22, 1892.

Col. Thomas L. Livermore, Chairman Board of Park Commissioners. Sir. The following is my estimate of the cost of that portion of the Park Maintenance which is under my charge for the coming financial year.

Franklin Park.

Overlook \$ 2,000.

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Amount brought over.	2,000	
Roads & Walks	9,200	
Care of Playstead, Ellicottdale and other grass ground. .	3,000	
Plantations.	2,000	
Care of Sheep	1,500	
Miscellaneous	1,400	\$ 19,200

Arnold Station turn.

Care of Roads & Walks.	<u>4,500.</u>	
	\$ 23,700.	

The Parkway.

Roads & Walks	8,000	
Plantations.	6,000	
Miscellaneous, including repairs of buildings, care of fowls. care of Administration Bldg. looking after flow of water, etc. . . .	<u>2,000</u>	16,000.

Charlestown.

Mens Gymnasium	4,000.	
Walks & Care of Gas Lamps. .	1,200	
Gas and Water.	500	
Electric Lighting.	1,200	
Womens Gymnasium. . . .	1,900.	
Plantations.	1,800.	
Miscellaneous.	<u>400.</u>	11,000.

Charlestown Parks.

Shovelling Snow etc.	500.	
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Wood Island Park.

Care of Plantations & Grounds	1,000.	
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Marine Park.

Lamp lighting & care of Pier. . . .	1,000.	
Matron.	300.	
Water & Gas.	500.	
Cutting grass.	<u>500.</u>	

Amounts brought forward	2,300.	52,200
Painting Iron Pier.	1,200.	
Miscellaneous.	500	11,000.

Castle Island & Bridge.

Care of Grounds & Bridge.	1,080	
Electric Lighting.	1,820	
Miscellaneous.	100	3,000.
		\$ 59,200

Nothing has been estimated for Franklin Field nor for Dorchester Park nor for extensions of the service at other parks except such as will be called for by work completed or now in progress.

Respectfully yours E. W. Howe, Engineer in Charge.
Estimates were thereupon made up as follows and sent to the City Auditor:

December 24, 1892.

Hon. Nathan Matthews Jr. Mayor.

Dear Sir: Complying with your circular of 14th. inst. we report that an appropriation of \$102,500. will be required for the current and ordinary expenditures of maintaining the parks under charge of this Board during the coming fiscal year.

Our estimate in detail is as follows.

Franklin Park. care of grounds, roads & walks, buildings and sheep.	\$ 19,200.
Arnold Arboretum. Care of roads & walks	4,500.
The Parkway. care of grounds, roads and walks buildings and fuel	16,000.
Charlestant. care of Gymnasiums, grounds and buildings & lighting.	11,000
Charlestown Parks. Shovelling snow and care of grounds.	500.
Wood Island Park. care of grounds.	1,000.
Marine Park. care of grounds, pier and buildings and lighting.	4,000.
Castle Island and Bridge, & Electric lighting.	3,000.
Carried over	\$ 59,200

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Amount forward	\$ 59,200.
Police,	
2 Sergeants and 26 officers, all the year, and 11 men for six months pay	34,800
Equipments and supplies.	1,000
Office expenses of Park Department	7,500
	<u>\$ 102,500</u>

The above estimates do not include any expense for lighting the Back Bay Fens or the Parkway or for maintaining our part of the park system which we do not now feel confident of completing for use during the coming fiscal year. It seems to us that the Back Bay Fens will have to be lighted next season to satisfy the public demand for the use of them after dark. If the Lamp Department does not take this lighting upon itself it will be necessary to make a further appropriation to enable this Department to undertake it. For the Board

J. L. Livemore, Chairman.

The following were received:

" Street Department, December 23, 1892.
" Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State St.
" Gentlemen:- Herewith respectfully request
" your permission to enter upon the land of the Back Bay
" Park, in the vicinity of Vila Street extension, for
" the purpose of connecting the Vila street sewer with
" the Metropolitan sewer at that place.

" Yours truly, H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets."

Street Department - Sewer Division - Boston Dec 23, '92.
To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners.

Gentlemen:- In behalf of the Street Department I request permission from your Board to make the necessary excavations required to build the sewer, regulators, etc. to connect the Vila Street Sewer with the Metropolitan Sewer, as shown on accompanying plan.

I have made arrangements as to location of manhole covers satisfactory to your Engineer, Mr. Howe.

Very respectfully, E. S. Dorr, Engineer Sewer Division.

and it was
 Voted, that permission be granted to the Superintendent of
 Streets to make the necessary excavations required to build
 the sewer regulators etc. to connect the Vila Street Sewer
 with the Metropolitan Sewer on condition that the
 parkway is to be restored to as good condition as it is
 now in, and that the man holes are to be relocated and
 built in such manner as the City Engineer directs.
 The following was received and referred to the Secretary
 for reply.

City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.
 " To the Heads of Departments. Gentlemen:- Please send
 " to this office at once a description of all the lands in charge
 " of your department, if any, situated on the banks of the
 " Neponset or Charles rivers.

Respectfully,
 " December 24, 1892. N. Matthews, Jr., Mayor."

Mr. Howe reported that as near as he could ascertain
 two men in the employ of the department were not
 citizens, both of them have however expressed their intention
 of becoming citizens by filing their first papers and the
 Secretary was directed to inform the Mayor accordingly.
 Voted, that the force at the Duck Bay Pons be reduced
 to forty men.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to place
 life preservers on the Riverway and Leverett Pond,
 wherever he may deem them necessary.

Mr. Howe submitted a plan for curbstones at Tremont
 Entrance, and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to advertise
 for proposals for the curb stones required for the
 Tremont Entrance.

A communication was received from Dudley A. Dorr,
 enclosing a form of agreement in the case of the
 South Boston Yacht Club and suggesting that the matter
 be not longer delayed.

Mr. Olmsted reported verbally that in the matter
 of a new site for the South Boston Yacht Club which

Dec. 24. had been referred to him, he would recommend a
1892. location not further east than M. Street, and it was
Voted, to submit to the South Boston Yacht Club a location
on the water margin of the Parkway between K
and M Streets.

The Secretary was also directed to ask Mr. Dorr what
facilities in regard to area and depth of water to be dred-
ged would be required by the Club in such location.

Mr. Olmsted's plan for grading Quincy Street Charlestown
presented at the last meeting was forwarded to Alderman
Mitchell with a communication thereon (see letter book 4. p. 617).

The communication of ordinance Sergt. Keefe in regard
to police at Castle Island referred by Col. Mansfield to the
Board was returned to Col. Mansfield with the endorsement
that the Park Commissioners have taken the subject under
advisement. The following was read, read and placed on file.

" Chicago, Ill. December 22, 1892.

" Boston Park Commission. Sir: - Your application
" for space in the World's Columbian Exposition of 1893
" has been received and referred to the Department of
" Liberal Arts. The number of your application is 9537.
" Further correspondence in relation to your proposed exhibit
" will be conducted through that Department.

" Yours respectfully, Geo. B. Davis, Director-General.

The Board estimated the expense of taking sundry
lands in that part of the City of Boston which was
formerly West Roxbury for a public park as follows:

George S. Curtis.	3857 sq. feet.	151	579.
Heirs or Deceases of Jos. H. Curtis.	5567	" (14)	779.
Ella C. Adams.	1055.3	" (18)	190.
Heirs or Deceases of Fred. E. Webber.	590	" (25)	148.
Ann M. Spaulding	3737.7	" (25)	934.
Sam. S. Gorham.	7090	" (25)	1773.
Elven D. Hall.	9238	" (30)	2771.
Heirs or Deceases of Abraham D. Ogilaw.	1928	" (30)	578.
Charles P. Amory.	4410	" (30)	1323.
Charles F. Farrington.	6300	" (40)	2520.
Edward M. Smith.	9725	" (35)	3404.

Frances H. Downes.	896 ft	(30)	269.
Brookline Land Company or the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation or both.	80,710 "	}	50,000.
Jamaica Pond Ag. Corporation.	249,326 "		
Jamaica Pond Ag. Corporation.	7455 "		
Quincy A. Shaw.	90,272 "		1,000.
Francis Parkman.	152,384 "		21,000
Jamaica Pond Ice Company.	119,808 "		25,000
Robert M. Morse Trustee.	129,440 .		21,900.
Frances D. & Edw. C. Perkins Trustees	29,094 . (4 ch.)		1,164
S. P. Athrop, Thos. M. L. Chas. P. Gardiner & Edw. H. Perkins Trustees for Sarah P. Cleveland.	4,002 . (4 ")		160.
Quincy A. Shaw.	25,362 . (5 ")		1,268.
Heirs of Henrietta S. Sargent.	138.9 . (5 ")		7.
A person or persons unknown	38.2		
Expense of sundry lands previously purchased by & now belonging to the City of Boston.	17,600 sq. ft.		
"	155,840 " "		
"	195,024 . "		\$ 42,000
	368,464 "		
Fee & soil in a part of Burroughs Street.	1,830 "		
Elisb "	1,435 "		
Chestnut. "	21,300 "		
Perkins & Prince Streets	116,600 "		
	141,165 "		
Total estimated expense of lands purchased and taken.			\$ 178,767.

and passed the following taking:

City of Boston.

Int. Board of Park Commissioners, December 24, 1892.

Whereas, the undersigned, the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, appointed and acting under and by virtue of the provisions of the Acts of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the authority conferred on them by the City Council of said City of Boston,

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have, with the approval of the Mayor of said City, determined that the following-described parcels of land are desirable for the public parks of said City, it is this day

Resolved, that the City of Boston has taken and does hereby take in fee, for the public parks of said City, the following-described parcels of land situated in that part of the City of Boston called West Roxbury, namely:

A parcel of land belonging to George S. Curtis, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly line of Perkins street, distant $107\frac{11}{100}$ feet easterly from the north-east corner of land of the City of Boston formerly of Edward H. Perkins, and running southerly by a curved line of $35\frac{84}{100}$ feet radius, $41\frac{39}{100}$ feet; by a curved line of 135 feet radius, $13\frac{98}{100}$ feet, by a straight line tangent to said last mentioned curved line $21\frac{50}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of 286 feet radius, $57\frac{50}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Curtis to land of the City of Boston; thence running northerly in said last mentioned land by a curved line of $205\frac{6}{100}$ feet radius, $81\frac{33}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $40\frac{50}{100}$ feet radius, $55\frac{5}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 2.14 square feet, more or less.

Another parcel of land belonging to George S. Curtis, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the line between land of said George S. Curtis and land of the City of Boston, distant $396\frac{6}{100}$ feet southeasterly from Perkins street, on said line as shown on a plan by A. H. French, C.E., dated April 29, 1892, on file in the office of said Commissioners, and running southeasterly and southeasterly by a curved line of $278\frac{47}{100}$ feet radius $257\frac{94}{100}$ feet; by a curved line of $600\frac{7}{100}$ feet radius, $66\frac{83}{100}$ feet; by a straight line tangent to said last mentioned curved line $38\frac{35}{100}$ feet; by a curved line of $1,023\frac{20}{100}$ feet radius, $88\frac{34}{100}$ feet; and by a curved line of $349\frac{79}{100}$ feet radius, $6\frac{87}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Curtis to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph H. Curtis: thence running easterly on said last mentioned land, $22\frac{52}{100}$ feet to said land of the City of Boston: thence running northeasterly and northeasterly by a curved line of $61\frac{6}{100}$ feet radius, $63\frac{52}{100}$ feet; by a straight line tangent to said last mentioned curved line 65 feet; by a curved line of $502\frac{7}{100}$ feet radius, $59\frac{93}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $301\frac{60}{100}$

feet radius $287\frac{63}{100}$ feet, all on said land of the City of Boston to the point of beginning; containing 3103 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph H. Curtis bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $349\frac{79}{100}$ feet radius, and on land hereinafter described as taken from George S. Curtis; and running southeasterly and southwesterly by said curved line $76\frac{73}{100}$ feet by a curved line of $231\frac{50}{100}$ feet radius, $79\frac{28}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $413\frac{40}{100}$ feet radius, $177\frac{82}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Heirs or Devisees of Joseph H. Curtis to land hereinafter described as taken from Ella C. Adams; thence running northwesterly on said last mentioned land $12\frac{74}{100}$ feet to land of the City of Boston; thence running northerly and northwesterly by a curved line of $699\frac{18}{100}$ feet radius, $99\frac{82}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $316\frac{61}{100}$ feet radius, $143\frac{8}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $641\frac{61}{100}$ feet radius, $31\frac{31}{100}$ feet, all on said land of the City of Boston to said land hereinafter described as taken from George S. Curtis; thence running easterly on said last mentioned land $22\frac{52}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning; containing 5567 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Ella C. Adams, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $413\frac{40}{100}$ feet radius, and on land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph H. Curtis, and running southeasterly by said curved line $67\frac{79}{100}$ feet, by a straight line tangent to said curved line $78\frac{28}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $629\frac{41}{100}$ feet radius, $86\frac{98}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Ella C. Adams to land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Fred E. Ticker; thence running northwesterly on said last mentioned land $3\frac{98}{100}$ feet to land of the City of Boston; thence running northeasterly by a curved line of $1233\frac{81}{100}$ feet radius, $72\frac{58}{100}$ feet, by a straight line tangent to said last mentioned curved line $41\frac{42}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $699\frac{18}{100}$ feet radius, $58\frac{50}{100}$ feet, all on said land of the City of Boston to said land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Joseph H. Curtis; thence running southeasterly on said last mentioned land $12\frac{74}{100}$

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A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of Fred E. Weber bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 629 $\frac{4}{100}$ feet radius and on land heretofore described as taken from Ella L. Adams, and running southerly by said curved line 89 $\frac{97}{100}$ feet on other land of said Heirs or Devisees of Fred E. Weber to land hereinafter described as taken from Ann M. Spaulding; thence running northwesterly on said last mentioned land 9 feet to land of the City of Boston; thence running northerly on said last mentioned land by a curved line of 1,233 $\frac{81}{100}$ feet radius, 85 $\frac{15}{100}$ feet to said land heretofore described as taken from Ella L. Adams; thence running southeasterly on said last mentioned land 3 $\frac{88}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning; containing 590 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Ann M. Spaulding, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 629 $\frac{4}{100}$ feet radius, and on land heretofore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Fred E. Weber, and running southerly by said curved line 46 $\frac{7}{100}$ feet, by a straight line tangent to said curved line 23 $\frac{28}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 3,691 $\frac{90}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Ann M. Spaulding to land hereinafter described as taken from James L. Gorham; thence running northwesterly on said last mentioned land 23 $\frac{30}{100}$ feet to land of the City of Boston; thence running northerly on said last mentioned land by a straight line 114 $\frac{12}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 1,233 $\frac{81}{100}$ feet radius tangent to said straight line 155 $\frac{90}{100}$ feet to said land heretofore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Fred E. Weber; thence running southeasterly on said last mentioned land 9 feet to the point of beginning; containing 3,737 $\frac{7}{100}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to James L. Gorham, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of 3,691 $\frac{90}{100}$ feet radius, and on land heretofore described as taken from Ann M. Spaulding, and running southerly by said

curved line $56 \frac{25}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $1.556 \frac{10}{100}$ feet radius, $215 \frac{20}{100}$ feet on other land of said Gorham to land hereinafter described as taken from Ellen D. Hall; thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $37 \frac{105}{100}$ feet to land of the City of Boston; thence running northerly by a curved line of $958 \frac{24}{100}$ feet radius, $242 \frac{56}{100}$ feet, and by a straight line tangent to said last-mentioned curved line $25 \frac{37}{100}$ feet on said last-mentioned land to said land hereinafore described as taken from Ann M. Gooding; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $23 \frac{30}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning; containing 7.040 square feet more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Ellen D. Hall, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northwesterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $1.556 \frac{10}{100}$ feet radius, and on land hereinafore described as taken from James L. Gorham, and running southwesterly and southeasterly by said curved line $12 \frac{66}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $747 \frac{54}{100}$ feet radius, $124 \frac{27}{100}$ feet, by a straight line tangent to said last-mentioned curved line $22 \frac{32}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of 50 feet radius, $73 \frac{42}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Hall to land of the City of Boston; thence running northwesterly and northeasterly by a straight line $47 \frac{75}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 52 feet radius, tangent to said last-mentioned straight line, $86 \frac{32}{100}$ feet, by a straight line tangent to said last-mentioned curved line $17 \frac{58}{100}$ feet by a curved line of $958 \frac{24}{100}$ feet radius, $136 \frac{81}{100}$ feet, all on said land of the City of Boston to said land hereinafore described as taken from James L. Gorham; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $37 \frac{45}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning; containing 9.238 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heir or Devisors of Abraham O. Bigelow, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southerly line of Pond street at its intersection with a curved line of 57 feet radius, and running southwesterly by said curved line $35 \frac{78}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of $163 \frac{80}{100}$ feet radius, $19 \frac{24}{100}$ feet, by a straight line tangent to said last-mentioned curved line 29 feet, and by a curved line of $1.379 \frac{40}{100}$ feet radius, $39 \frac{23}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Heir

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or Devises of Abraham O. Pigelow, and hereinafter described as taken from Charles P. Amory, thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $26\frac{83}{100}$ feet to said Pond street, thence running northeasterly on said Pond street $124\frac{50}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 1.928 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Charles P. Amory, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $1.379\frac{40}{100}$ feet radius, and on land heretofore described as taken from the Heirs or Devises of Abraham O. Pigelow, and running southwesterly by said curved line $70\frac{61}{100}$ feet by a straight line tangent to said curved line $114\frac{50}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of $1.246\frac{20}{100}$ feet radius, $60\frac{150}{100}$ feet, all on other land of said Amory, to land hereinafter described as taken from Charles F. Farrington: thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $24\frac{30}{100}$ feet to Pond street, thence running northeasterly on said Pond street $182\frac{85}{100}$ feet to said land heretofore described as taken from the Heirs or Devises of Abraham O. Pigelow, thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $26\frac{83}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 4.410 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Charles F. Farrington, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of said parcel at its intersection with a curved line of $1.246\frac{20}{100}$ feet radius and on land heretofore described as taken from Charles P. Amory, and running southwesterly by said curved line $224\frac{55}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of 20 feet radius, $30\frac{14}{100}$ feet, on other land of said Farrington to Burroughs street; thence running northwesterly on said Burroughs street $114\frac{50}{100}$ feet to Pond street; thence running northeasterly on said Pond street $214\frac{30}{100}$ feet to said land heretofore described as taken from Charles P. Amory; thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $24\frac{30}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 6.300 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Edward M. Smith, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southeasterly corner of Pond and Burroughs streets, and

running southeasterly on said Elist street 118³⁸/₁₀₀ feet, then running easterly along by a curved line of 19¹²/₁₀₀ feet radius 30⁸³/₁₀₀ feet, by a curved line of 14⁶⁰/₁₀₀ feet radius, 29³⁰/₁₀₀ feet, and by a curved line of 19¹²/₁₀₀ feet radius, 30⁸³/₁₀₀ feet, all on other land of said Smith to Elist street; thence running northeasterly on said Elist street 28⁹⁴/₁₀₀ feet, and by a curved line of 10 feet radius, 16 feet to Pond street; thence running northeasterly on said Pond street, by two lines, 150¹⁰⁰/₁₀₀ feet and 204⁷⁰/₁₀₀ feet to the points of beginning; containing 9.725 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Frances H. Downes, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Pond street at the tangent point of a curved line of 14⁶⁰/₁₀₀ feet radius, and running northeasterly and southeasterly 41⁵⁰/₁₀₀ feet by said curved line, and 17⁷⁹/₁₀₀ feet on Elist street; thence running southwesterly by a curved line of 20 feet radius 29³⁰/₁₀₀ feet, and by a straight line tangent to said last-mentioned curved line 115²⁸/₁₀₀ feet, on other land of said Frances H. Downes, to said Pond street; thence running northeasterly on said Pond street 118³⁸/₁₀₀ feet to the point of beginning; containing 896 square feet, more or less.

Also the fee and soil of so much of Burroughs street as lies between a straight line drawn between the tangent point of a curved line of 20 feet radius on land of Charles F. Farrington, and the tangent point of a curved line of 19¹²/₁₀₀ feet radius on land of Edward M. Smith, and the southeast line of Pond street, said Burroughs street being 40 feet wide; containing about 1.830 square feet.

Also the fee and soil of so much of Elist street as lies between a straight line drawn between the tangent point of a curved line of 19¹²/₁₀₀ feet radius on land of Edward M. Smith, and the tangent point of a curved line of 20 feet radius on land of Frances H. Downes and the southeast line of Pond street, said Elist street being 41 feet wide; containing about 1.438 square feet.

A parcel of land belonging to the Breckins Land Company, or the Jamaica Pond &c. Association or both, bounded and described as follows. Beginning at

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a point on the boundary line between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline at its intersection with the westerly division line between said parcel and land hereinafter described as taken from the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, and running northeasterly by said boundary line, by three lines, $306 \frac{88}{100}$ feet to land of the City of Boston; thence running northeasterly and southeasterly on said last-mentioned land, by two lines, $320 \frac{80}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation; thence running northeasterly, southerly and westerly on said last-mentioned land, by five lines, $748 \frac{40}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 80.200 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly line of Chestnut street at its intersection with the boundary line between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline, and running easterly by said boundary line, by two lines, 114 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the Brookline Land Company, or the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation or both; thence running southerly, northerly and northeasterly on said last-mentioned land, by five lines, $748 \frac{40}{100}$ feet to land of the City of Boston; thence running easterly, southerly, and westerly on said last-mentioned land, by six lines, $1097 \frac{22}{100}$ feet to Perkins street; thence running westerly on said Perkins street $234 \frac{50}{100}$ feet to said Chestnut street; thence running northerly on said Chestnut street $504 \frac{52}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 249.326 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southerly line of Perkins street at land of the City of Boston formerly of Edward A. Perkins, and running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $153 \frac{50}{100}$ feet to the low-water line of Jamaica pond; thence running westerly by said low-water line about 11 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from the City of Boston; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 105 feet to said Perkins street; thence running easterly on said Perkins street, by two lines, $110 \frac{50}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 1.40 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded

and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Perkins street at land heretofore described as taken from the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation, and running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land 100 feet to the low-water line of Jamaica pond; thence running easterly by said low-water line about $162\frac{50}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Quincy A. Shaw; thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 77 feet to said Perkins street; thence running easterly on said Perkins street 301 feet to the point of beginning; containing 17,600 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Quincy A. Shaw, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Perkins street at land heretofore described as taken from the City of Boston, and running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land 77 feet to the low-water line of Jamaica pond; thence running southeasterly by said low-water line about 983 feet to other land of the City of Boston; thence running westerly on said last-mentioned land $17\frac{5}{8}$ feet to said Perkins street; thence running northeasterly on said Perkins street $1,008\frac{74}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning; containing 90,272 square feet more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the southeasterly line of Perkins street at land heretofore described as taken from Quincy A. Shaw, and running easterly on said last-mentioned land 175 feet to the low-water line of Jamaica pond; thence running southeasterly and southerly by said low-water line about 326 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Francis Parkman; thence running westerly 57 feet, southwesterly $252\frac{50}{100}$ feet, northwesterly $5\frac{80}{100}$ feet, southeasterly again 7 feet, northwesterly again 43 feet, and southwesterly again $127\frac{60}{100}$ feet, all on said last-mentioned land, to Prince street; thence running northwesterly on said Prince street about $291\frac{50}{100}$ feet to said Perkins street; thence running northeasterly on said Perkins street 100 feet to the point of beginning; containing 155,840 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Francis Parkman, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Prince street at land heretofore described as taken

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A parcel of land belonging to the Jamaica Pond Ice Company, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Prince Street at land hereinafter described as taken from Francis Parkman, and running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land $341^{\frac{50}{100}}$ feet to the low-water line of Jamaica pond: thence running southerly by said low-water line about 486 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Robert M. Morse, trustee: thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land 236 feet to said Prince Street: thence running northwesterly on said Prince Street $386^{\frac{33}{100}}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 119,808 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Robert M. Morse, trustee, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Prince Street at land hereinafter described as taken from the Jamaica Pond Ice Company, and running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land 236 feet to the low-water line of Jamaica pond: thence running southerly by said low-water line about 621 feet to land of the City of Boston: thence running southwesterly on said last-mentioned land 218 feet to said Prince Street: thence running northwesterly on said Prince Street $677^{\frac{75}{100}}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 129,440 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Francis D. Perkins and Edward L. Perkins, trustees under the will of Charles L. Perkins, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of Perkins Street at land hereinafter described as taken from the Trustees for Sarah P. Cleveland, and running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $37^{\frac{84}{100}}$ feet to other land of said Trustees under the will of Charles L. Perkins: thence running north-

easterly and northerly on said last-mentioned land by a curved line of 220 feet radius, $12\frac{20}{100}$ feet, by a straight line tangent to said curved line $52\frac{23}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 280 feet radius, $276\frac{84}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 160 feet radius, $107\frac{80}{100}$ feet to Chestnut street: thence running southerly on said Chestnut street $31.8\frac{20}{100}$ feet to said Perkins street: thence running westerly on said Perkins street $254\frac{8}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 29,094 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to S. Lathrop Thordike, Charles P. Gardiner, and Edward A. Perkins, Trustees for Sarah P. Cleveland bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of Perkins street, at land hereinbefore described as taken from the Trustees under the will of Charles L. Perkins and running southeasterly on said Perkins street $100\frac{23}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Quincy A. Shaw: thence running northwesterly on said last-mentioned land $34\frac{12}{100}$ feet to other land of the Trustees for Sarah P. Cleveland: thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land by a curved line of 220 feet radius, $114\frac{67}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from the Trustees under the will of Charles L. Perkins: thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land $37\frac{84}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 4,002 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Quincy A. Shaw, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of Perkins street at land hereinbefore described as taken from the Trustees for Sarah P. Cleveland, and running southeasterly on said Perkins street $1051\frac{60}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Heirs or devisees of Henrietta S. Sargent: thence running northerly on said last-mentioned land $7\frac{24}{100}$ feet to other land of said Quincy A. Shaw: thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land by a curved line of 440 feet radius, $11\frac{44}{100}$ feet, by a straight line tangent to said curved line $27\frac{86}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 640 feet radius, $106\frac{53}{100}$ feet, by a tangent line $73\frac{26}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 800 feet radius, $235\frac{32}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 520 feet radius, $118\frac{65}{100}$ feet, by a tangent line $37\frac{30}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 360 feet radius, $131\frac{23}{100}$ feet, by a tangent line

Dec. 24. 1892. 16 $\frac{54}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 440 feet radius, 160 $\frac{73}{100}$ feet by a tangent line 72 $\frac{8}{100}$ feet, by a curved line of 220 feet radius, 48 $\frac{51}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from the Trustees for Sarah P. Cleveland: thence running southeasterly on said last-mentioned land 34 $\frac{12}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 25.362 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to the Heirs or Devisees of Henrietta S. Sargent, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of Perkins street, at land heretofore described as taken from Quincy A. Shaw, and running westerly on said Perkins street 30 $\frac{10}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from a person or persons unknown; thence running northerly on said last-mentioned land 2 $\frac{50}{100}$ feet to other land of said Heirs or Devisees of Henrietta S. Sargent: thence running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land by a curved line of 440 feet radius, 31 $\frac{62}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from Quincy A. Shaw: thence running southerly on said last-mentioned land 7 $\frac{24}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 138 $\frac{7}{10}$ square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to a person or persons unknown being part of a passageway leading northerly from Perkins street, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northerly line of said Perkins street, at land heretofore described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Henrietta S. Sargent, and running westerly on said Perkins street 46 $\frac{47}{100}$ feet: thence running northeasterly on other land of said person or persons unknown, by a curved line of 440 feet radius, 46 $\frac{83}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from the Heirs or Devisees of Henrietta S. Sargent: thence running southerly on said last-mentioned land 2 $\frac{50}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 38 $\frac{2}{10}$ square feet, more or less: reserving to the owners of lands abutting upon the remaining portion of said passageway a right of way for themselves, their heirs and assigns, from Perkins street to their said lands, equivalent to that they now have.

Also the fee and soil of so much of Chestnut street as is included between the boundary line between the City of Boston and the Town of Brookline and the northerly line of Perkins street, being about 21.300 square feet.

Also the fee and soil of so much of Perkins street and Prince street as is included between those portions of Perkins street and Prince street that were previously taken for park purposes, being about 116,600 square feet.

Also a parcel of land belonging to the City of Boston, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the corner of Centre and Walter streets, and running thence on said Centre street about $815\frac{52}{100}$ feet to the Arnold Arboretum; thence on said Arnold Arboretum by an irregular line about $1,223\frac{55}{100}$ feet, to said Walter street; thence on said Walter street about $175\frac{65}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning; containing about 195,024 square feet.

All of said parcels of land being shown on a plan in three parts, entitled "Plan of land in the City of Boston, Massachusetts, taken December 24, 1892, for a park, under Chapter 185 of the Acts of 1870, and other acts authorizing said taking; signed by Alexis H. French, Civil Engineer, dated December 24, 1892, and on file in the office of said commissioners, a copy whereof is filed in the Registry of Deeds for the county of Suffolk, and all of said parcels are taken under the authority of Chapter 185 of the Acts of 1870, Chapter 371 of the Acts of 1892, and other acts authorizing said taking.

(Signed) Messrs. T. Livermore,
Francis A. Walker,
Paul H. Kendrick,

The Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston,

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, January 2, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Messrs. Livermore and Kendrick. Mr. Walker being absent on account of sickness; also present Messrs. E. W. Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids for building a drain on the Parkway between Pond Street and Arnold Arboretum were received and publicly opened and read.

Stores and Estimated Quantities.

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subsequently it was
 voted, to award the contract to Pierce F. Lonergan and
 fix the amount of the bond at \$4,000.

Mr. C. H. Gallagher representing the estate of Choate Purnham came before the Board to negotiate a settlement of their damages for the taking of flats etc. for the Parkway Old Harbor. Mr. Gallagher said that he had made some figures with a view of arriving at the damages to the estate if the Channel were closed. He said that the appraisal of the whole property was \$175,000 or \$150,000 for wharf and flats. The difference in value of the property if given up for a wharf property is a difference of \$25,000 without counting improvements which run up about \$38,000 in addition making a difference of \$63,000 which would include the flats taken.

Mr. Purnham's figures of cost were \$84,000 not including certain improvements made since, including a stable \$15,000 and an automatic railway \$10,000, which would bring his figures pretty near the above. Mr. Purnham obtained a rental of \$6,500 which was less than what could be obtained if put up into two or three wharves.

Mr. Gallagher said that they could want the right to lease for five years with rights of extension for say three years more. He suggested that they could like to take what it would cost the City to make a proper draw-bridge and maintain the draw and Channel plus the value of the land taken and suggested that the Commissioners make an offer based upon that cost.

The Chairman stated that he did not understand that the City had to maintain the Channel and that the Board would consider the matter of making an offer for a settlement of damages based upon the closing of the Channel.

Mr. A. L. Chandler for the Brookline Land Company asked the Board if an offer of settlement for the fee in the land held by the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation would be considered by the Commissioners. He said that he put the market value of the land at something in the neighborhood of 30 cts. per foot less the amount of interest and taxes for say five years or so it might be fair to suppose that the franchise of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct

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corporation would cease. The Commissioners replied that no offer based upon any such idea of value would be considered and that they would prefer to have the matter settled in the courts.

Mrs. Eunice C. Mc. Donald came before the Board in the matter of damages for the taking of her property for the City Parkway, Old Harbor. She said she paid \$3,000 for it twelve years ago. Has fitted up a little store in the basement and within a year has painted and papered all the inside, and would take four thousand dollars for her damages, which offer the Commissioners declined.

A communication was received from D. A. Dorr, in the matter of a new location for the South Boston Yacht Club which was referred to Mr. Olmsted to further examine the question and report to the Board.

The following was received.

" Arnold Arboretum, Harvard University.

Director's Office,

Jamaica Plain, Mass. December 30. 1892.

My dear Sir: Absence from home has delayed until to day an acknowledgment of your letter of November 21st. concerning the suggestion of the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston that the parcels of land recently acquired by the City from C. E. Skinner, Mary R. Peters, and others, and from Free Love S. Kent should be used by the Arnold Arboretum, the Park Department reserving the right to reassume control of these grounds in the future if in its opinion the necessity for doing so shall arise. I shall be glad to plant and assume charge of this land on these conditions provided the Park Commissioners will protect it from the highway by a suitable stone wall similar to that which surrounds other parts of the Arboretum, and will remove the buildings and roughly grade the surface; this to include surfacing the areas now occupied by cellars, driveways, etc., with at least 18 inches of loam. Until this is done it will be impossible to plant the ground satisfactorily, and even if I had funds available for the purpose I should hardly be justified in

" such an expenditure upon land liable to be called
 " for at any time. Yours very truly,
 " Geo. F. Clark, Esq. C. S. Sargent, "
 " Secy, Dept. of Parks, Boston.

and the Engineer in Charge was requested to report the cost of doing the work referred to in the letter of Professor Sargent.

Mr. Gilman J. Raymond presented a plan and petition for placing a steam Launch on Jamaica Pond which was referred to Miss. Olmsted for examination and report.

Mr. Raymond also made application for permission to sharpen skates on Jamaica Pond, Wards Pond and the Ponds in Franklin Park, and it was Voted, that permission as requested be granted for this season.

An application was received from W. J. McGuire for privilege of occupying a stand for renting skates at Charlestown, and it was

Voted, that said privilege be granted for this season.

Applications were received from, John P. Flynn, Edwin Jaquith, E. G. Percy, Jacob Myer, J. W. Goodnow, Louis Dranett, Charles James, James Connor Jr. and Charles H. Stevens for permission to sell refreshments of various kinds at Jamaica Pond, and it was Voted, that it is inexpedient to issue permits to sell refreshments at Jamaica Pond.

A certificate from Joseph Hastings late Capt. of Police and the record of Police Department in regard to the discharge of John W. Field were received and the Secretary was directed to file the papers to come up for examination at the next drawing for police.

A communication was received from Eben Fisk in regard to placing boats on the Pond at Franklin Park and the Secretary was directed to reply that the plans of the Board do not yet embrace the placing of boats on the Franklin Park ponds.

The following was received, read and placed on file.

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City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen,
December 5, 1892.

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he hereby is authorized to release, for a nominal consideration, to John E. V. Hayden, the present owner of a parcel of land or flats south of East Ninth Street, near the foot of Atlantic street, in South Boston, any right, title, or interest which the City may have in said premises under and by virtue of the agreement contained in the deed of Dennis A. Reardon, dated January 10, 1891, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds, Lib. 1976, fol. 518, whereby the said Reardon granted to the City the right to purchase at the rate of two cents per square foot so much, not exceeding one half, of the said premises as might be required by the Board of Park Commissioners for the extension of the parkway at South Boston; said Board of Park Commissioners having voted to release said Hayden from said agreement.
Passed. Sent down for concurrence. December 15 came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor December 23, 1892.
A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest.

Asst. City Clerk. "

The following was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

City of Boston, Department of Public Grounds.

City Greenhouses, E. Chester Park, Dec. 28, 1892.

Park Commissioners, Gentlemen. I beg to forward the enclosed bill for amt. of assessment on account of construction of brick sidewalk with granite edgestones, W. Chester Park corner Commonwealth Ave. sent to me by mistake of the Street Dept. The amt. of interest thereon has been computed to the first day of January next,
Yours truly, Wm. Devoe Esq. per M.R.R. "

At the request of Mr. Baxter it was
Voted, to grant the Metropolitan Park Commission the use of such cuts and plans from the Park Report as it may desire to reprint in its report to the Legislature.

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to put in a

hydrant at Charlestown in a position to be indicated by the Engineer in Charge for the purpose of flooding the gymnasium grounds for skating purposes.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be instructed to let by contract at the lowest attainable price the work of distributing the beam now on the bridge path in the Riverway and to take every step necessary to open the bridge path to Perkins Street by April 1st.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to clear up the old walls at Franklin Park and do similar work which he may deem to be necessary.

Mr. Olmsted presented a plan dated 2^d January 1893, for the details of the Parkway from Pine Corners to the Old Colony R. R. The plan contemplated carrying the railroad over the Parkway by a series of arches. After discussion, Mr. Olmsted was instructed to revise the plan on the assumption that the Old Colony R. R. was to be crossed on grade and to alter the plan in certain other respects.

Mr. J. C. Cobb submitted the proposition of the landowners to give land for a proposed parkway across the South Bay. In explanation of the matter Mr. Cobb stated that the total frontage was about 12,500 feet of which about 9000 feet have signed the agreement and about 400 feet more have promised, and will do so in a day or two.

There are about 1,600 feet that will probably sign, but haven't yet agreed to, making in all about 11,000 feet substantially certain and leaving about 1500 feet belonging to owners who will have to be settled with.

Mr. Cobb estimated the assessed value of the lands to be paid for at about \$9,000, with no building of any great value. He said that the Commissioners might assist in getting the agreements of those who will probably sign but have not yet agreed to.

The Commissioners took the papers and said they would give the matter due consideration.

Geo. F. Clarke, Secy.

Boston, January 9, 1893

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick, also present Messrs. Luchess, Howe & S. L. & J. L. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids for furnishing 2311 feet and 9 ⁷/₈ inches of granite curbstone for the Tremont Entrance were received and publicly opened and read:

Austin Ford & Son,	Cambridgeport, Mass.	\$ 1.53 per lin. feet.
J. H. Cowin & Co.	Boston	" 1.64 " " "
Rockport Granite Co.	Rockport	" 1.67 " " "
F. J. Fuller,	West Quincy	" 1.74 " " "
John Joyce.	Boston.	\$4,046. or 1.75 " " "

The contract was awarded to Austin Ford & Son and the amount of bond required was fixed at one thousand dollars.

Messrs. S. H. Hooper and J. F. Reddy requested the Board to allow further time to their several clients in which to remove buildings from Shelburn Street, and it was voted, that the time within which John Mitchell and Patrick and Bridget Lynch may remove their buildings be extended to April 1st. 1893.

City Conveyancer Owen and Messrs. Moses Williams and F. L. Welch came before the Board in the matter of the transfer of the property of the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation to the City. Mr. Owen stated that he had conferred with the City Auditor and Mr. Grant Chairman of the Water Board, who also had seen the Mayor, and that Mr. Dodge had said that they had arranged to have the Park Department draw a draft for the whole amount, as the Water Board, although having the money appropriated for such purposes cannot use it until February 1st. without showing a deficit in its accounts, and that at that time a transfer of \$30,000 of the amount would be made to the Park Appropriation.

Mr. Dodge said it was merely a question of book-keeping and that the money could be restored without question.

Mr. Welch stated that the deed and bill of sale were ready

with proportion of taxes and interest, reckoned up to January 10, added to the consideration of \$125,000 as had been agreed to, he also said that they had been under expense for coal &c, in running the machinery since January 1st.

The Chairman stated that the buildings and machinery should be included in the deed to the City for Park purposes as the intention was that they should become the property of the Park Department and not of the State Board. It was thereupon Voted, that whereas by two certain acts of the Board,

passed respectively April 30, 1890, and December 24, 1892, a public park or parks was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land, whereof certain parcels of land belonged to the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation as appear by said acts, there be awarded and paid to the said Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation the sum of One hundred and twenty-five thousand three hundred and thirty-two and $\frac{84}{100}$ dollars upon its proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said takings, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; provided also that said Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation shall at the same time convey to said City all its machinery, fixtures, water pipes, tools and apparatus of every kind used by said Corporation in supplying water within the City of Boston and the town of Brookline; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The Secretary stated that Mr. J. Loughlin representing Jeremiah Donovan had offered through assistant City Solicitor Proctor to settle his claim for damages for the taking of his estate on Kimball Street for \$3,800. and taxable costs, and that Mr. Proctor recommended its acceptance. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle

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the case of Jeremiah Donovan for damages for land taken for the Parkway, Muddy River, for the sum of Thirty eight hundred dollars and taxable costs, upon his proving title to said parcel, and giving a deed of the same also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Mr. McBlellan representing Mr. Picknell offered to settle for the lot of land taken for the Parkway Old Harbor in the name of Sarah A. Nixon for 11 cents per foot which offer was declined.

Paul D. Watson representing Eunice C. Mc. Donald offered to take \$3,300. for the estate taken from her for the Parkway Old Harbor. The Commissioners declined the offer and suggested that an offer of \$2,600 and the building might be considered favorably.

The following was received and referred to Mr. Jackson to confer with Mr. Carter as to the amount to be paid by this Department.

" Street Department, Boston, January 3, 1893.
" Board of Park Commissioners,

" 53 State Street. Gentlemen:- Sometime ago this
" department furnished you with a set of trucks for use
" on the drawbridge leading to Fort Independence. It was
" understood at that time (so I am informed by Mr. Mc
" Laughlin, the Deputy Superintendent of the Bridge Division)
" that you would furnish this department in exchange
" with a duplicate set of trucks for Federal street bridge.
" Will you be kind enough to inform me about this matter,
" as I desire to procure these additional trucks?

" Yours truly,

" H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets.

" Engineers Office Jan. 4, '93.

" W. C. S. L. - Livermore, Chairman. The trucks referred
" to were used for the draw in the temporary bridge to Bacle Island
" and were obtained from the Street Department to save time-

" I am respectfully,

" William Jackson, City Engineer."

The following was received and referred to Messrs. Amick
for examination and report.

" City of Boston, In Common Council,
Jan. 5, 1893.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
" requested to establish during the present year, two
" public bath houses on the easterly shore of Jamaica
" Pond, Ward 23, which has become the property of the
" City of Boston under their jurisdiction, one house
" for men and boys and the other for women and
" girls, and that said Board be also requested to re-
" port to the Common Council as to their approval
" thereof. Passed in Common Council Jan. 5, 1893.

" A true copy, Attest:- Joseph McKane, clk. of the Common Council.
Communications from Alderman Dever requesting
a permit for Matthew McGregor to sell coffee and sand-
wiches and from E. F. Stevens for permission to let skates
at Jamaica Pond were received and laid on the table.

A communication was received from Mrs. Perkins in
reference to a settlement of damages for the taking of
land from her estate and was referred to the Chairman
to confer with her in the matter.

A letter was received from Mr. E. N. Perkins in regard
to renewing the permission previously granted to him
to remove certain mantels from the Pinckney house
and it was

Voted, that said permission be renewed the work to
be done under the supervision of the City Architect.

The following was received:

" Boston January 6th. 1893.
" To the Park Commissioners, City of Boston:

" Gentlemen: The time for completion, of
" our contract on Muddy River, expired on Nov. 1st.
" We had completed the grand grading at that time,
" but could not distribute the balance of muck and
" loam on account of not being gravel enough to do
" the sub-grading. We feel as though we are entitled
" to the money reserved on our contract, and would

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"respectfully ask your Honourable Board for the same.

"Respectfully, Moulton & O'Mahoney." and it was
Voted, that five thousand dollars of the reserve held under
the contract with Moulton & O'Mahoney for grading
on the Parkway be allowed and paid to them provided
that the consent of their bondsmen be obtained to a
modification of their contract authorizing said payment.
Voted, that the Street Commissioners be requested to submit
the Plans for widening Seaver Street at the next
meeting of this Board.

Voted, that the Chairman petition the Railroad Com-
missioners to authorize the building of the Audubon
bridge over the Boston and Albany Railroad at
a height of not less than fifteen feet in the clear.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to prepare
specifications and advertise for bids for the Audubon
bridge.

Eben W. Read and W. L. Smith came before the board
to ask for permission to cut ice for several private
ice houses from Jamaica Pond as formerly, and it was
Voted, that the same privileges as they have had before
to cut ice be granted for this winter.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan showing proposed arrange-
ments for nursery on Franklin Park, dated January 9th,
also diagram showing arrangements of proposed greenhouses
on Franklin Park dated January 7th 1893 which were
approved and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to build the
proposed green houses etc. as shown on the plan at
a cost not exceeding eight thousand dollars.

Mr. Olmsted also submitted a sketch plan for boating
and skating house at Scarboro' Pond, Franklin Park,
dated January 9. 1893, and it was

Voted, that the City Architect be requested to prepare
working drawings and specifications in consultation
with the Landscape Architects Advisory.

Mr. Olmsted also presented a grading plan for the
Parkway along the Arboretum, and a letter addressed

to the Chairman on the same matter by Mess. Olmsted & Co. was read and placed on file. After discussion Mr. Howe was requested to submit an estimate of the cost of grading 30 feet in width of the Parkway adjoining the Arboretum including the slope on the Arboretum side.

Mr. Loring presented the names of James Cooper, Valley V. Cooper, and Charles D. Woolley as bondsmen under his contract for building a drain in the Parkway. The two last names were accepted and the contract was signed.

The following vote taking property of the Jamaica Pond Ice Company was passed the expense thereof having been estimated at \$25,000 at a former taking December 24, 1892.
City of Boston.

In Board of Park Commissioners.

January 9, 1893.

Whereas, the undersigned, the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, appointed and acting under and by virtue of the provisions of the Acts of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the authority conferred on them by the City Council of said City of Boston, have, with the approval of the Mayor of said City, determined that the following-described parcels of land are desirable for the public parks of said City, it is therefore

Voted, that the City of Boston has taken and does hereby take in fee, for the public parks of said City, the whole of the lands now owned by the Jamaica Pond Ice Company lying between Prince Street and Jamaica Pond in that part of the City of Boston called West Roxbury, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

Beginning on the northeasterly line of Prince Street at land hereinbefore described as taken from Francis Parkman, and running northeasterly on said last-mentioned land $341\frac{50}{100}$ feet to the low-water line of Jamaica Pond: thence running southerly by said low-water line about 486 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Robert W.

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thence running southeasterly on said lot - mentioned land 236 feet to said Prince Street; thence running northwesterly on said Prince Street $386 \frac{33}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 119,808 square feet, more or less, or however otherwise bounded and described together with all the buildings thereon used by said Jamaica Pond Ice Company in connection with its business in cutting and removing ice from said pond and storing and selling the same, and all fixtures forming a part of said buildings.

Said land is taken under the authority of Chapter 185 of the Acts of 1875, Chapter 371 of the Acts of 1892, and other Acts authorizing said taking.

Wm. S. Livermore

Francis A. Walker

Paul H. Hendrichsen

The Board of Park Commissioners
of the City of Boston.

A hearing was given to Patrick Maney, Patrick Harrington and three others discharged for idling at their work and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge for further inquiry.

A hearing was also given on the application of James Glennon for reinstatement. Mr. F. F. Proctor appeared for Mr. Glennon, and the statements of Mr. Glennon, Mr. Lavelle, Mr. Edgeworth, Mr. James B. May and Mr. Thomas J. Murphy were heard. Mr. Proctor also spoke for Mr. Glennon. Subsequently after discussion the Board concluded to take no action in the matter.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston January 16. 1893.

The following bids for Grading on the Parkway from Perkins to Centre Streets received in answer to advertisement was publicly opened and read at 2.30 P.M. Mr. Kendrick being present.

	Deputy & Leary, Boston.	Chas. Lincoln, Cambridge.	Amos & Mechem, Boston.	Jancier Bros., So. Framingham.	Ross & Hall, Boston.
W 325000 cu. yds.	35 11.700.	34 11.580	33 11.333 33	35 11.900	37 12.550
f 43000 "	35 15.050.	34 14.620	50 21.500	28 12.040	37 15.910
C 920 sq. yd.	6.60 6.072.	7.66 7.047.20	4.22 3.882 40	4.90 4.508	4.88 4.489.60
	33.022.	33.247.20	36.715.23	28.448.	32.979.60
	John Sullivan, Cambridge.	Kelly & O'Hearn, Brookline.	Wheaton & O, Methuen.	H. P. Mann, Boston.	C. E. Harrington, Boston.
" 315000 cu. yds.	43 14.620	34 11.580	29 9.860	29 9.860	37 12.080.
f 43000 "	41 17.630	43 18.490	34 14.620	41 17.630	37 15.910.
C 920 sq. yd.	4.10 6.440	3.00 2.760	6.00 5.520	4.02 3.698.40	4.600
	38.690.	32.830.	30.000.	31.188.40.	33.090.

Subsequently a meeting of the Board was held at 3.45 P. M. Mess. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick and the Engineer in Charge being present. The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

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The contract for grading on the Parkway was awarded to Saucier Brothers, and the amount of bond required was fixed at \$10,000.

Mr. Howe submitted an estimate for grading on the Parkway at the Arboretum which was read and placed on file, and it was

Resolved, that the City Engineer be authorized to prepare specifications and advertise for proposals for grading the Parkway except the traffic road adjoining the Arnold Arboretum including so much of the traffic road as is necessary in order to obtain the material required in said grading.

Resolved, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to build so much of the culvert at the Arboretum as is necessary to carry the ride over the brook.

Resolved, that the Merio Gymnasium grounds be kept open Sunday's for skating.

Mr. Howe stated that in regard to the discharge of the eight men at the Back Bay whose case was heard by the Board at the last meeting, he had upon investigation found some disorganization existing at the Park caused by the withdrawal of one of the teams which had been sent up Muddy River and the breaking down of another at the stone Crusher leaving the men without teams after about 4 P.M. The foreman in charge of the gang had also gone to see about covering some plants and the men had rather felt that they could do no effective work. It was thereupon

Resolved, that it is the judgment of the Board that inasmuch as the Engineer in Charge reports extenuating circumstances, that while the Board thinks that the men are to blame for not working more diligently, it leaves the question of reinstating the men to Mr.

Howe's discretion, but is of opinion that a repetition of this offence should be cause for immediate discharge. Mr. Howe requested leave of absence for three days which was granted.

Resolved, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay

to Matthew H. Farrington also as guardian of Kate Farrington, Children of Thomas Farrington, deceased, the amount due him on the pay rolls of this Department.

The Chairman brought up the matter of Mr. Pillsbury's former offer to settle the damages in the Edward's case for land taken on Muddy River on a basis of 65 cents per foot which offer he said had never been declined, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Pillsbury that the Chairman had brought the matter to the attention of the Board and that the Commissioners had determined that they could not accept his offer.

The following was received:

Boston, January 9th. 1893.

" Park Commissioners of Boston.

" Gentlemen: I am the owner of the lot of upland and flats on the Eastern side of B. Street.

" I purchased an undivided half of said lot in 1888,

" which has cost me with the interest and taxes about

" \$3,000. for the half bought at that time. The first

" half I purchased in I will sell the

" whole lot in question for \$5,000.

Alpheus W. Stetson."

The Secretary stated that figured on the basis of the verdict in the Winchester case the damages would amount to about \$5,273.60, and that there was something over \$200. in rents that Mr. Stetson had collected

under an agreement to account for the same in making a settlement which would reduce the damages on the basis of that verdict to about \$5,000. it was thereupon Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle

the case of Alpheus W. Stetson for damages for land taken for the Parkway Old Harbor for the sum of Five thousand dollars without interest upon his proving title to said parcel and giving a deed for the same also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in

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consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

The following were received read and placed on file.

" In Common Council, January 12, 1893.

" Ordered: that His Honor the Mayor be requested
" to instruct the Park Commissioners to inform the Common
" Council at its next meeting, the reasons for suspending
" laborers in the Park Department.

" Passed in Common Council Jan. 12, 1893. A true copy.

" Attest:- Joseph O'Kane, Clerk of the Common Council.

" In Board of Aldermen, January 2, 1893.

" Ordered: That the heads of the various City Departments
" be authorized to submit their annual reports in print;

" the expense to be charged to the appropriation for printing.

" Passed. Sent down for concurrence. January 2 came up

" concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 4, 1893.

" A true copy. Attest: J. M. Galvin, City Clerk."

A communication was received from Mess. F. L. Orsted & Co.
in relation to the introduction of Street railways along the Parks
and Parkways which was placed on file.

A communication was received from Mrs. Tennihan in relation
to her late employment with the Department which was
referred to the Chairman for reply.

The matter of re-employing Mrs. Tennihan was referred to
Mr. Howe.

Mr. Howe submitted some water bills for Street Sprinkling
amounting to \$1475.52 with the statements that he was informed
that the Street Department does not pay for water used for
Street sprinkling and the bills were referred to the Chairman
to confer with the Mayor in the matter.

Mr. Howe also stated that the Street Department had
declined to keep the sidewalks clear and passable on Pond
Street and other places where the lands had been taken for
park purposes and a letter was addressed to the Mayor
on the subject. (See letter book 4, page 645.)

A communication dated January 12, 1893 was
received from the Mayor suggesting matters of
interest which should be included in the Annual

Report of the Board which was read and placed on file.

Geo. F. Lelarge,
Secy.

Boston January 23. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Mess. Livermore and Kendrickson; Mr. Walker being absent from the City, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe, & F. L. & J. B. Ormsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mess. Dorr & Duane of the Street Commissioners were present and submitted plans of the proposed widening of Beaver Street at an estimated expense of \$56,908 which had been prepared with the understanding that the Park Department would bear the expense of widening and construction. After some discussion the plans were referred to the City Engineer to examine and report to the Board the comparative cost of construction under the proposed plan and the construction of a street 115 feet wide on other possible plans.

Mr. Gallagher representing A. G. Richmond and the Hallowell Granite Co. said that if the City would take the remainder of their land on Ninth and I Streets, containing about 3,200 square feet at the rate of \$1.00 per foot he would recommend to his clients to take the verdict of about \$12,000 and withdraw their exceptions.

The matter was referred to the Chairman to confer with the Corporation Council and report his conclusions.

Mr. James Stevenson came before the Board and offered to take \$1.00 per foot in settlement of his damages for the taking of land and buildings for the Parkway along the River which offer the Commissioners declined.

Mr. James Le Davis presented a plan of the land of his clients at the corner Bellevue Street and the Parkway, drawn by Mr. Ellis who surveyed the street

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when it was laid out in 1887. He said that Mr. Ellis had shown him that the lines of Fellers Street and the Parkway came together at an angle, and he thought that the Commissioners would want to make the two curves tangent by taking a small additional amount of land.

The matter was referred to Mr. Olmsted for examination and report.

Mr. Martin Murphy came before the Board and offered to take \$1,500 for the lot on Centre Street a part of which was taken for the Parkway. The Commissioners replied that they had no use for the remaining part of the lot and therefore declined the offer.

Mr. Paul P. Watson representing Eunice O. Mc. Donald said that all she could get for the house was \$200, and that she would settle for \$2,800 and the house or \$3,000, without the house. The Commissioners took the offer under consideration.

The following was received:

" South Frammingham Mass. January 20. 1893.

" Geo. F. Clarke Esq.

" Secy. Board of Commrs. Dept. of Parks.

" Boston:

Dear Sir:

" Yours of the 17th inst. directed to So. Frammingham was forwarded to us at Pascoag, R. I. I herewith submit the names of Mr. Jeremiah Mc. Cartty of Franklin Mass; and Mr. Neil Mc. Pride of Brighton, Mass, for our bondsmen.

" I shall not be able to go to Boston this week, but can meet you at any time next week you may name.

" Yours truly Auguste Sancier, for Sancier Bros. So. Frammingham.

and it was

Voted: that the bondsmen offered by Mess. Sancier be accepted.

Mr. D. A. Dorr representing the Boston and South Boston Yacht Clubs presented new forms of agreements for settlement of their cases and Mr. Olmsted submitted a preliminary plan for location of boat club houses on the Parkway at South Boston, dated January 14, 1893.

After some discussion it was

Voted, that the plan for location of boat club houses

presented by Mess. Olmsted be adopted.

The forms of agreement presented by Mr. Dorr were approved with the amendment in the case of the Boston Yacht Club providing that the ownership of the building is to be vested in the City.

Mr. Olmsted also presented a plan of the Parkway from Five Corners to the Old Colony Railroad, dated Jan'y. 2, 1893, which was adopted, also plan for bathing arrangements at Jamaica Pond which was discussed and left for further consideration.

Voted, that Mess. Olmsted & Co. be requested to confer with Mess. Shepley, Putnam & Coolidge and in connection with the Brookline Park Commissioners procure from them preliminary plans for a bridge to carry Longwood Avenue over the Parkway.

Voted, that the experiment be tried of admitting women to the Mens Gymnasium grounds during the skating season.

The following was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

" In Common Council, Jan'y. 19. 1893.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners
" be requested to report to the Common Council
" at its next meeting, as to the expediency of loca-
" ting and maintaining a gymnasium in
" that portion of the Back Bay Park located near
" Parker and Ruggles Streets.

" Passed in Common Council Jan'y. 19. 1893.

" A true copy, Attest: Joseph O'Hare.

Clerk of the Common Council."

(For reply see letter book 4. page 651)

A communication was received from Capt. Murphy requesting leave of absence for one month next summer and the application was declined.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, January 27, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 4.30 P.M.

Present Messrs. Livermore and Kendrick. also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe and F. L. & J. O. Husted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved. Previous to the meeting at 2.30 P.M. 1111. Kendrick being present. The following bids for abutments and superstructure of Audubon Road bridge were received and publicly opened and read:

Summary of bids received January 27 1893 for Abutments & Bridge on Audubon Road.

Abutment.

Hogan & Cassidy.	Ashland.	\$ 33,850.
J. Kelly & O'Hearn.	Brookline.	111,890
Frank Quinn & Michel, O'Connor.	Boston.	32,422.
Charles H. Dodge.	Boston.	35,795
Leavitt, Daley & Crockett.	Boston.	34,625
Thomas A. Rowe.	Boston.	38,850
D. Henry Bram.	Boston.	36,986
John Cavanagh & Co.	Boston.	33,900
Jones & Meehan.	Boston.	28,427

Superstructure.

Berlin Iron Bridge.	E. Berlin Conn.	3,85 cts.
Penn Bridge Co.	Deaver Falls, Penn.	3,8 "
D. H. Andrews.	Boston.	3,6 "
Norton Iron Co.	Boston.	4,1 "
P. F. Hawkins & Co.	Springfield.	3,6 "

The bids were taken under advisement.

Subsequently at the meeting of the Board plans for widening the proposed bridge were discussed and Mr. Jackson was requested to confer with Messrs. Jones & Meehan as to said change of plan of the bridge structure which will require slight changes in the abutments and report the result to the Board.

Mr. Jackson submitted a form of reply to the Superintendent of Streets' letter of January 3d. providing for the payment on account of a set of trucks used on

the temporary bridge to Castle Island, which was adopted and a reply made to Mr. Carter, as suggested. The following were received and referred to the chairman for reply:

" Office of the Mayor, Jan. 25, 1893.
" Col. Thos. L. Livermore, Chairman of Board
" of Park Commissioners.

" Dear Sir: - The Committee of the City Council
" has cut down the appropriation for your department
" to \$ 80,000. Please have a detailed statement made
" for me showing what this will allow for and what
" work will have to be omitted which the public will expect
" during the year upon the parks. Will you not
" also see that the annual report includes, if possible,
" a statement of the assessed value of all the lands taken
" for our park system, and the amount paid for them,
" so that we can see just what these lands have cost
" in excess of the assessor's valuation?

" Yours very truly, N. Matthias Jr. per Mr. "
" North Dorchester Improvement Association.

" A Committee of the above named Society ask a brief
" hearing of the Park Commissioners at an early meeting -
" the day and hour to be fixed by the Commissioners.

" subject - a slight extension of Richardson Park -
" (Cottage, Pond and Pleasant Sts. Dorchester) for the
" erection thereon of an interesting historic monument.

" Respectfully for the Committee, John J. May,
" The Park Commissioners of the City of Boston."

The following was received, together with the petitions referred to, and action thereon was deferred for the present.

" Chairman of the Board of Aldermen.

" Boston, Jan. 27, 1893.

" To the Honorable, the Board of Park Commissioners:

" Gentlemen: I hereby transmit to you the
" petition of William H. Young, also a petition signed
" by several citizens of Ward 23, endorsing said
" petitioner for a permit to keep and let boats on

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" Jamaica Pond. Knowing him to be an honest and
" capable man I take great pleasure myself in pre-
" senting his petition, and also endorsing the same.
" Trusting that you may act upon the petition favor-
" ably. I remain, Truly yours,

" John H. Lee Chairman of the Bd. of Aldermen."

The following was received:

" The Hon'ble Thomas L. Livermore,

" President of the Park Commissioners.

" Dear Sir: Schoolmaster Hill on Franklin
" Park was so named from the circumstance that
" Ralph Waldo Emerson while keeping school in
" Roxbury, lived in a house situated at the Eastern
" end of the hill, not far from where a large boulder
" lies. Some of his earlier poems were here composed
" and in the design of the Park it was intended that
" a bronze tablet recording these facts and thus ac-
" counting for the name of this locality, should be
" placed upon this rock. as the designed improvement
" of the ground in this vicinity is expected to be
" completed the coming spring, it is respectfully ad-
" vised that the Board now take action for carrying
" out this intention.

Your obedient servants.

" J. L. Olmsted & Co. Landscape Architects."

and the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, that a bronze tablet shall be placed
upon the great boulder on the East end of School-
master Hill, Franklin Park, bearing an inscription
stating that Ralph Waldo Emerson, while keeping
school in Roxbury lived near that spot and there
composed some of his earlier poems.

Resolved, that the Landscape Architects are instruct-
ed to confer with Mr. Eliot Cabot in respect to
the inscription and to obtain from Mr. Howard
Hatcher a design for the tablet and lay the request
before the Board.

Mr. Olmsted presented a preliminary plan of

Jamaica Park, dated December 1892, drawn with a view of its publication in the Annual report of the Board and it was Voted, that the plan be provisionally adopted for that purpose.

Mr. Olmsted also presented a revised plan of the Parkway at South Boston providing for the retention of the bathing beach and bath houses near the foot of S Street which was also adopted for publication in the Annual report. An offer to present to the Department some rocks & boulders was received from Kilby Page & referred to the Engineer.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Doston, January 30. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore, Walker and Kendrickson, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe, and F.L. & J.C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved. Mr. H. J. Powers came before the Board and offered to take twenty five cents per foot for the land later from him on Buttonwood Street including pay also for the land restricted against building.

The Commissioners declined the offer and the Secretary was directed to write Mr. Heywood to inquire what he will give for the Powers land outside of the Parkway line.

A hearing was given to representatives of the South Boston and Boston Yacht Clubs in regard to the question of their respective locations as requested in two communications from their Counsel D. A. Dorr, dated Jan'y. 27th. 1893 which were read and placed on file. The Chairman stated that there would be no objection to giving 100 feet frontage to each club and that the changes in the relative positions of the clubs as shown on the plan was not

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Commodore C. F. Morrill presented the case of the South Boston Yacht Club and read a statement which will be found on file giving the reasons of the Club Committee why the present relative positions of the two Clubs should not be changed as indicated on the plan for new locations adopted by the Commissioners. Commodore Morrill further said that the South Boston Club would erect a new building if required by the Board, and conform to any conditions that might be imposed if their petition for the easterly location were granted. Commodore Wilkes replied for the Committee of the Boston Yacht Club that they were entitled to any advantage of position on account of the greater damages they suffer on account of the laying out of the Parkway, furthermore the Club at its annual meeting had accepted the outer location as offered by the Commissioners and had authorized a settlement of its claim for damages which settlement would be defeated if the location was now changed. He replied also to the claims of the South Boston Club in detail and gave a number of reasons why the Boston Club should have the preference in the matter of location.

The Commissioners said that they would give the matter further consideration.

Mr. J. S. Dean appeared for the Puritan Canoe Club, but at the suggestion of the Commissioners he agreed to defer their request for a location until the other matter was settled. The Chairman stated that it was the intention to provide room for all the Yacht Clubs including the Puritan Canoe Club. Subsequently the Board concluded to leave the matter open until the next meeting with the hope that the Clubs would settle the question of location between themselves.

The Chairman stated that the Law Department recommended a settlement of the Richmond case on their offer to withdraw exceptions and convey the remaining land for park purposes on the payment of \$3,244,

in addition to the verdict of \$12,741. The Secretary said that Mr. Hills had raised his offer of \$650. towards the laying out of the Richmond lot for park purposes to one thousand dollars provided he could have a release of any rights the city may have in the thirty three foot passageway adjoining so that he could use the land for building purposes. Mr. Hills offer was accepted. It was Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle the suit of A. C. Richmond and the Halliwell Granite Company on the terms offered by Mr. Gallagher, namely: They to withdraw their exceptions and convey the balance of the land containing 3244 sq. feet to the City on the payment of Thirty two hundred and forty four dollars, provided satisfactory arrangements can be made with Thomas Hills, by which he will contribute one thousand dollars towards the expense of securing said remaining land for park purposes.

The Chairman said that Martin Murphy offered to take Five hundred dollars no betterments to be assessed but would not restrict his remaining land. It was thereupon Voted, to accept an offer to settle for Five hundred dollars with no betterments and restrictions upon remaining land if made.

The Chairman read a statement of the condition of the Loan for Public Parks showing a total available balance in 1893 of \$460,000. The Chairman said that he had conferred with the Mayor and that he would favor amending the act so as to enable the Treasurer to borrow this year the \$400,000 authorized to be borrowed, but not issued last year, and he suggested that the Board petition the Legislature to permit the issuing in subsequent years of any part of the loan not issued in any one year.

It was thereupon Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to petition the Legislature in the name of the Board as suggested by the Mayor.

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Voted, that the contract for building the abutments for the Audubon Road Bridge be awarded to Ernest Meehan and that the contract for superstructure be awarded to D. H. Andrews.

Voted, that the amount of bonds required be fixed at ten thousand and five thousand dollars respectively.

The following was received.

"North Dorchester Improvement Association.
To the Board of Commissioners,
Department of Parks, Exchange Building.

"Gentlemen: Your favor of 28th inst. is at hand.

"The Committee of the above named Association desire a hearing by your board that we may explain our design for a historic monument, and our expectation of an appropriation by the State which with your approval and co-operation would effect an improvement in Richardson park. Very respectfully, John J. May

"19 Pearl St. Jan. 30. 1893. for the Committee."

and a hearing was set for Monday next the Secretary to notify the Committee accordingly.

Mr. Winchell submitted a report on the petition of Charles Mann and others that the drives in Franklin Park be widened, which report was adopted & it was Voted, that the petitioners be notified that the Board deems it inexpedient to grant the petition for the reasons given in Mess. F. L. Olmsted & Co's report, and that the said report be printed in the annual report of the Board.

A communication from the Landscape Architects on the nomenclature of the Parkway System, dated Jan. 30. 1893 was presented by Mr. Olmsted: after discussion it was Voted, that the sections of the parkways be named as follows.

- 1st From the Fen Bridge to Tremont Street. "Riverway".
- 2^d From Tremont Street along the East side of Jamaica Pond to Prince Street. "Jamaicaway".
- 3^d From Prince Street to Franklin Park. "Arboreway".
- 4th From Five Corners to Old Harbor. "Dorchesterway".
- 5th From the head of Old Harbor to Marine Park. "Strandway".

The Chairman stated that Mrs. E. C. Perkins had offered to take 20 cents per foot in settlement of the damages to her estate by the taking of 29,094 sq. feet for park purposes, it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed December 24, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Frances D. & Edward C. Perkins, Trustees, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Frances D. and Edward C. Perkins, Trustees, the sum of Five thousand eight hundred and eighteen and ⁸⁰/₁₀₀ dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, excepting that in the place referring to restrictions the words "footway or" be substituted for "roadway and," also upon ^{their} giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The Chairman stated that Quincy A. Shaw offers to settle for ten thousand six hundred dollars if City assumes betterments and gives judgment for ten thousand dollars damages on Shore lot with agreement that execution shall be taken out only when some structure is erected on said lot and that then with interest only from the time such structure is erected. Mr. Livermore declined to vote in the matter, and after discussion it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed December 24, 1892, a public park was located

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and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in for certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof two certain parcels of land were supposed to belong to Quincy A. Shaw, as appears by said Act, there be awarded and paid to Quincy A. and Pauline E. A. Shaw the sum of ten thousand six hundred dollars upon their passing title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Act for the Muddy River also upon their giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the City Solicitor be authorized to consent to judgment in favor of said Quincy A. Shaw for the additional sum of ten thousand dollars for damages for the taking of the most easterly of said parcels between Perkins Street and Jamaica Pond, with an agreement that execution shall issue only when some structures shall hereafter be erected on said parcel and then with interest only from the time of the erection of such structure; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Geo. H. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, February 6, 1893

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore and Kenrickson, all having been duly notified. Also present Mess. E. W. Howell and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mess. Jones & Meehan conferred with the Board in the matter of the contract for abutments for the Audubon Road bridge. They requested that any contemplated changes in the plan of the bridge should be determined before the signing of the contract, and the price for doing the work agreed upon now, to avoid any difficulty arising from the change of plan after the work is begun.

The chairman replied that the Board had not determined to make any change in the bridge, and that, if a change were afterwards made, the contract provided for it in the usual manner. He further said that the Board would not be justified in letting a different contract from that which had been advertised.

Mess. Jones & Meehan then offered the names of Patrick Meehan and Samuel Treadwell both of Boston as bondsmen, and it was Voted, that said names be accepted.

Mr. Thomas Heywood came before the Board to say that he would pay seven hundred and fifty dollars for the remaining land of Mr. Powers on Buttonwood Street.

Mr. Podwell offered to settle for the land and house taken from Mary D. Podwell on Mt. Vernon Street for thirty three hundred dollars and the house. The Commissioners offered to pay three thousand dollars without the house.

Mr. N. G. Smith came before the Board in regard to a settlement of the damages of the Jamaica Pond Ice Co. He said the company would accept two hundred thousand dollars in settlement of both properties or would refer the matter to arbitration. The Commissioners declined the offer, and did not think the Board could submit the matter to arbitration.

Messrs May, Humphrey, Tarkenton & others, a committee of the North Dorchester Improvement Association

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tion, were given a hearing at their request, and addressed the Board to explain a design for a historic monument to commemorate the first town meeting and school house in America, to be placed on an extension of Richardson Park which is upon or near the original site. They desired the approval and coöperation of the Board to secure the extension of the park to take in all the land between Cottage and Bond Streets. The Commissioners replied that if they had funds available for the purpose they would vote to secure the land for the object named.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Mc Donald representing Martin Murphy had offered to take five hundred dollars for the land taken from him and would give the usual deed including restrictions and no betterment on remaining land and it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in for certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Martin Murphy as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Martin Murphy the sum of Five hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Muddy River also upon his giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the Appropriation for Public Parks.

Resolved, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in for

certain parcels of land in the city of Boston, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Eunice C. Mc. Donald as appears by said petition be awarded and paid to the said Eunice C. Mc. Donald the sum of Three thousand dollars, upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The Secretary stated that the arrangement between the Law Department and Mr. Gallagher for the settlement of the Richmond case provided for the conveyance of the remaining land to Mr. Hills upon the payment by him of twenty three hundred dollars and its conveyance by Mr. Hills to the City upon payment of thirteen hundred dollars, the verdict to be increased nine hundred and forty four dollars and judgment to issue accordingly, it was thereupon Voted, that there be purchased of Thomas Hills for the purposes of a public park a certain parcel of land on East Ninth Street in South Boston bounded northerly by E. Ninth Street, easterly by a passageway thirty three feet wide southerly and westerly by the Parkway, containing about thirty two hundred and forty four square feet; and that there be paid to the said Thomas Hills the sum of Thirteen hundred dollars, upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same together with the right to stop the filling upon his remaining land in said passageway, reserving to said Hills his heirs and assigns the fee and all rights of way in said passageway belonging to said parcel, provided however that said Hills shall by a sufficient deed

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or agreement subject to his remaining land in said thirty three foot passageway to all the restrictions and agreements included in the City's printed form of deed for the Parkway at South Boston and shall also convey to the City for park purposes the fee of so much of the passageway twenty feet wide extending from the parkway to the Street as lies west of the easterly boundary line of other land of said Hills, together with the right to slope the filling of said passageway on his remaining land, but reserving to said Hills, his heirs and assigns a right of way over said twenty foot passageway to said parkway, said title and deeds to be satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The following was received:

" Boston July 3, 1893.
" Geo. B. Clarke Esq. Secy, Park Commr 509 Exchange St.
" Dear Sir: I have seen your letter to Mrs. C.
" C. Perkins, in which you ask whether the Trustees
" of Mrs. Cleveland would settle upon like terms.
" I understand the price to be twenty cents.
" Two things I should like to know: are we to
" be exempted from betterment assessment, and
" are we to have any way of getting into lot from
" Perkins street. Yours truly,
" S. Lothrop Thorndike."

and the Secretary was directed to reply that the grade of the land adjoining Perkins Street is such that no direct access to Perkins Street seems possible, but that the plan of the Landscape Architects which is approved by the Commissioners, provides a footway along the front of the remaining land of Mrs. Cleveland and access to this and thence to Perkins Street will be granted in the deed, also that a settlement on the basis of twenty cents per foot under the usual park

deed with the substitution of the word "footway" in place of "roadway" will exempt the remaining lands from betterments.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Quincy A. Shaw consents that the term during which execution shall issue under the vote passed at the last meeting shall be limited to twenty five years and it was

Voted, that the City Solicitor, in the agreement for judgment in favor of Quincy A. Shaw for damages on account of the taking of the lot between Perkins Street and Jamaica Pond, be requested to limit the term during which execution shall issue in certain contingencies as set forth in the vote of the Board of January 30, 1893, to twenty five years.

The following was received and referred to the Chairman for reply:

" Boston, February 1, 1893.
" Board of Park Commissioners, 63 State Street.
" Gentlemen:- I enclose find Police Report in
" regard to your sidewalks on Pond and Perkins
" streets. As this work belongs to the Park Depart-
" ment, and not to the Street Department, I forward
" the complaint to you for action.

" Yours truly, L. R. Butler, Adjt. Supt. of Streets."

A communication was received from Thomas Dean Secretary of the Boston Yacht Club in regard to the number and size of the Yachts of this Club and of the South Boston Yacht Club which was read and placed on file.

The following was received read and placed on file.

" In Board of Railroad Commissioners
" February 3, 1893.

" On the petition of the City of Boston, by its Park
" Commissioners, for the construction of a bridge to
" carry Audubon Road over the Circled Branch of
" the Boston & Albany Railroad, at a height less
" than eighteen feet, after due notice and a hearing,

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" at which the Boston & Albany Railroad Company
" filed a statement that it had no objection, and it
" appearing that adjacent bridges do not exceed fifteen
" feet in height. Ordered, that the Board hereby
" consents to the construction of a bridge by the City
" of Boston to carry Audubon Road (so called) over
" the Circuit Branch of the Boston & Albany Railroad at
" a height less than eighteen feet, but not less than
" fifteen feet, in the clear, above the tracks of said
" railroad. Attest: Wm. A. Crafts. Clerk."

Mr. Howe submitted specifications and form of
contract for grading the Parkway from Five Corners
to the Old Colony Railroad and suggesting that it
be let in two sections as a large amount of filling
was required near the railroad. It was thereupon
Voted, that the City Engineer advertise a contract for
grading the Parkway from Five Corners to a point
near Town Hill Street ^{and for filling from Town Hill Street} to the Old Colony Railroad.

Mr. Dudley A. Dorr came before the Board to ask
whether any arrangement could be made for continuing
the Italian tenants of the Bellows' Estate in South Boston
for the terms of their leases in some new location to
be agreed upon in lieu of damages. The commissioners
replied that they had discussed the matter and had
decided that they could not entertain such a proposition.

Geo. H. Larlee,
Secy.

Boston, Feb. 13. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners
was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick:
also present Mess. Jackson, Howe & J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Spence had given his
need of the land taken for the Parkway with restrictions,

and agreement for no betterment, under the terms of settlement agreed upon under date of Nov. 7, 1892, and it was

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered 57 on assessment plan for the Parkway in Roxbury, amounting to four hundred and sixty nine dollars, and assessed to George W. Spence, be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under Chapter 226 of the Acts of the year 1884.

Mr. Joseph L. Riley came before the Board to negotiate a settlement for Rebecca M. Riley for land and house taken on Shelburne Street and agreed to take thereon two hundred and fifty dollars, it was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Fen Court, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Rebecca M. Riley as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Rebecca M.

Riley the sum of twenty two hundred and fifty dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks. Mr. Paul B. Watson conferred with the Board in regard to land taken from Helen M. Tucker for Franklin Field.

A letter was received from A. D. McCallan Attorney for Thomas W. Picknell, in regard to the value of land on Mt. Vernon Street, taken from him, in comparison

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with the lands on either side and suggesting that the Engineer report on the character of the land in question. Mr. Howe stated that he had made an examination and found that the part of the Picknell lot taken is marsh land at about grade 10. A test for hard bottom on Mt. Vernon Street opposite the lot shows mud down to grade 3. The grade of the Purbank land averages about 12.6 and is hard bottom. A test opposite the Azariah S. Tripp land on Mt. Vernon Street shows no mud.

The Secretary was directed to reply to Mr. McClellan's letter stating the Engineer's report and that the Commissioners cannot increase their offer.

A petition was received from the Commonwealth Yacht Club for permission to erect a Club house at Marine Park, which was read and placed on file for consideration when the filling of the parkway interferes with the present Club landing at P. Street.

The Chairman presented letters from Drs. H. P. Bowditch and H. P. Walcott in regard to bathing at Jamaica Pond, and the Secretary was requested to obtain the opinion of Dr. Durgin, Chairman of the Board of Health upon the question.

The following were received.

" Boston, February 6, 1893.
" Board of Park Commissioners

" 53 State Street. Gentlemen:

" In reference to your communication concerning
" the shovelling off of sidewalks which abut on property
" owned by the Park Department I fail to see how
" this department is any more responsible for the
" cleaning of the sidewalks than for sidewalks in
" general throughout the city. There is no statute law
" which obliges any abutter to shovel off his sidewalk:
" but as the officials of town or city have the power to
" call out the inhabitants to shovel snow from sidewalks,
" by common consent abutters have assumed the
" responsibility of shovelling off their walks.

" This department shovels the snow from walks which
 " abut on property under its own charge: but it cannot
 " be responsible for the shovelling of snow on sidewalks
 " abutting on property in charge of other departments.

" Yours truly, H. H. Carter Supt. of Streets.
 " Boston, February 7, 1893.

" Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State Street,
 " Gentlemen:- In relation to your communication
 " of January 27, 1893, concerning the replacing of trucks
 " which this department furnished to your board for use
 " at the draw bridge at Fort Independence, I would
 " respectfully request you to furnish us with a set of trucks
 " suitable to use on Federal Street bridge. Mr. Jackson,
 " the City Engineer, is familiar with the dimension and
 " style of trucks used there: and I should prefer this
 " method of settling the matter between the two depart-
 " ments.
 " Yours truly,

H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets."

" The Chairman stated that he had replied to Mr.
 " Carter's letter in reference to the care of the sidewalks
 " abutting upon park territory (see letter book w p. 678)
 " and it was

Voted, that the Chairman's action be approved.

" The Secretary was directed to reply to Mr. Carter's
 " letter in regard to the trucks used on the bridge to
 " Castle Island that the Board will pay towards the
 " cost of new trucks for the Federal Street bridge what
 " the others are worth.

The following was received.

" Boston February 10th, 1893.
 " Col. Thomas L. Livermore, Chairman,
 " Park Commission, Exchange Building, Boston.

" Dear Sir: Since writing you yesterday on
 " the matter of space for an exhibit of your Board,
 " I have received a letter from Chicago which enables
 " me to offer you approximately two hundred and fifty
 " square feet of wall space in a most desirable location,
 " and I shall look forward to the pleasure of seeing the

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" instructive exhibit which I know you can get to-
" gether, placed on the walls to be seen by the thousands
" who will pass by it. Please let me hear from you if
" I may expect your co-operation. I realize that this space
" is much less than you asked for, but curtailment of
" space under existing conditions is absolutely necessary.
" I remain, very respectfully yours, E. C. Hoovey.

Secretary & Executive Commissioner. Mr. "

and the Secretary was directed to reply to Mr. Hoovey
accepting the offer of space for the Park Exhibit
at the World's fair.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for carrying Longwood
Avenue over the Parkway on a new line for the
Avenue and bridge, and it was
Voted, that the revised plan for Longwood Avenue
bridge, dated Feb. 9, 1893, drawn by F. L. Olmsted
& Co. Landscape Architects, be recommended to
the Board of Survey.

Mr. Howe presented a plan for grading a part of
Arborway between South and Centre Streets which was
adopted and the City Engineer was authorized to ad-
vertise for proposals to be received Feb. 27.

Mr. Howe reported that James Mc. Glue makes applica-
tion for the position of janitor at the Administration
building in the Parkway.

A communication was received from James Riley
in regard to his standing on his application for park
police he having drawn No. 21 and the Secretary was
directed to place his name in order for appointment
on the auxiliary police at the next increase of force.

The following petitions were received.

Boston February 6th 1893.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners. - Gentlemen:

" I hereby respectfully ask reconsideration of your
" action on my application for leave to be absent with
" loss of pay about five weeks beginning July 8th next, on
" the ground that I was not explicit enough in applying.
" I could not make application so far ahead of time

" but it is necessary in my case.

" I have an opportunity this year of becoming
" member of a Cook's European excursion party at a
" nominal expense. The present stage of construction
" of the parks and excellent services of its officers
" affords me opportunities that may never occur again.

" Therefore I hope for a favorable reconsideration fully
" convinced that whatever your decision it will be for
" the best interests of the Department and myself.

" Very respectfully W. D. Murphy Sgt.

Boston, February 8, 1893.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners.

" Gentlemen. I most respectfully ask for
" permission to take my annual vacation of two weeks
" which I am at present entitled to, sometime during the
" coming month of May. I am very anxious to visit
" the World's Fair at Chicago, and as many of my friends
" are intending to go at that time I should be very happy
" to accompany them. Yours very respectfully,

Wm. A. Dennis, Sergt."

and it was

Voted, that leave of absence be granted to Sergeant W.
D. Murphy, as requested in his application, and
that Sergeant W. A. Dennis be permitted to take
his annual vacation this year during the month
of May.

Geo. H. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, February 20, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners
was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Messrs. Livermore and Kendrick, all having
been duly notified. Also present Messrs Jackson,
Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids for Grading and Filling Dorchesterway

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File for Grading.

John Cavanagh & Co. Doherty & O'Heary. Jas. Killian. Andrew Carbery. O'Connell and O'Mahoney. Dennis O'Connell.

	Boston.	Boston.	E. Walpole.	Boston.	Boston.							
A. 6500 cu. yds. 28	1820.	30	1950.	36	2340.	35	2275.	42	2730.	38	2470.	
B. 12000 " "	27	3240.	30	3600.	31	3720.	35	4200.	33	3960.	36	4320.
	\$ 5060.		\$ 5550.		\$ 6060.		\$ 6475.		\$ 6690.		\$ 6790.	

Collins & Nam. M. Russ and James McGowan. G. F. Harvey.

	Boston.		Boston.		Boston.		
A. 6500 cu. yds. 5 1/2	3347.50	39	2535.	42	2730.	27	1755.
B. 12000 " "	333960.00	41	4920.	49	5880.	65	7800.
	\$ 7307.50		\$ 7405.		\$ 8610.		\$ 9000.

File for Filling.

	Boston.	Boston.	Boston.	Boston.	Boston.
Collins & Nam.	67 1/2.	\$ 10,050.00			
John Cavanagh & Co.	71 "	10,650.00			
George H. Keyes.	79 "	11,850.00			
Pierce & Loringan.	99 "	14,850.00			

The bids were taken under advisement and subsequently the contract for grading was awarded to John Cavanagh & Co. and the bond fixed at two thousand dollars and the contract for filling was awarded to Collins & Ham and the bond fixed at three thousand dollars.

Voted, that the bond required under the contract with David H. Andrews be reduced to four thousand dollars and that the names of Nelson S. Bartlett and George O. Hales be accepted as bondsmen.

Messrs. Clark, Fry and Humphreys conferred with the Board in regard to the taking of title from George A. Cushing and George H. Smith for the parkway at Old Harbor and the terms of settlement in relation particularly to the proposed restrictions upon the remaining lands.

Mr. Charles Eustis Hubbard conferred with the Board in regard to placing restrictions upon the lands of Geo. W. Goldsmith and others adjoining the Arboretum and the terms upon which entrance to the parkway from the adjoining lands would be permitted.

Mr. W. F. Kimball came before the Board to request that an allowance be made to F. W. Nelles, in addition to the payments due under his contract at Wood Island Park, in order to compensate him for material placed in the park which, owing to the settlement of the ground, the contract does not entitle him to receive pay for.

The ^{matter} was postponed to enable Mr. Kimball to submit evidence of the amount of material delivered.

Mr. James McEachran came before the Board and accepted terms of settlement for his property on Shelburne Street as follows:

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking

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in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonging to James M. Eachran, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said James M. Eachran the sum of twenty seven hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that in addition to the above award said James M. Eachran be allowed to remove the double house on said land and the adjoining lot on or before April 1st 1893.

The following was received.

" Boston, February 13. 1893.

" George F. Clarke Esq.

" City Park Commissioners. Dear Sir:

" Your letter of February 9 is at hand. On behalf
" of my Co-trustees and myself I am happy to say
" that we accept a settlement upon the terms stated in
" that letter, for the taking of the land therein mentioned.

" Very truly yours,

" S. Lothrop Thorndike."

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed December 24. 1892. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to S. Lothrop Thorndike, Charles P. Gardiner and Edward N. Perkins, trustees for Sarah P. Cleveland, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said S. Lothrop Thorndike, Charles P. Gardiner, & Edward N. Perkins, Trustees for Sarah P. Cleveland, the sum

of Eight hundred and 400 dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway; Muddy River, excepting that in the clause referring to restrictions the words "footway or" be substituted for "roadway and", also upon their giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks. Assistant City Solicitor Proctor came before the Board to confer in regard to propositions for settlement in the cases of Hankey, Palmer and estate of Choate Burnham. The Commissioners stated their view of what settlements might be acceptable to the Board.

Mr. Howe asked for authority to purchase steps for Charlestown Heights at an amount less than two thousand dollars. He estimated the cost at sixteen hundred dollars, and it was Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to procure steps for Charlestown Heights without advertising for bids.

Mr. Howe stated that the Shepherd who receive twelve dollars per week and house free at Franklin Park had asked for an increase of pay. It was thereupon

Voted that the Shepherds at Franklin Park be allowed one dollar per week additional pay.

Mr. Comstock presented a new plan for widening Seaver Street which was discussed and it was Voted, that the Landscaping Architects be requested to bring in a plan of Seaver Street so modified as to leave out the proposed location for future

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clock's road. Mr. Olmsted was also requested to place the necessary sketch of the plan in Mr. Jackson's hands so that an estimate can be made as early as possible.

The Chairman was requested to confer with the Corporation Council on the question of taking land adjoining Leaver Street.

The following was received read and placed on file:

"City of Boston. In Board of Aldermen Feb. 13. 1893.
"Ordered: That the Park Commissioners be requested
"to prepare a place for skating on the Charlestant,
"and keep the same in good condition during the
"cold weather.
"Passed. Sent down for concurrence. February 16 came
"up concurred. A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest.
Asst. City Clerk."

Applications were received from Charles H. Barrow for permission to keep boats for hire at Marine Park and from Patrick J. O'Brien for a position as gardener, which were read and placed on file.

Mr. J. C. Cobb submitted a plan of the proposed parkway across South Bay showing the lands which the owners had agreed to give, and the lands ^{for} which no agreement could be obtained and which would require to be taken. The valuation of the latter was about \$29,000.

The Commissioners replied that they had no funds available for that purpose, and that unless all the land required could be offered to the City they did not see how they could consider it. Mr. Cobb said that he would try and secure a special appropriation from the City Council for that purpose.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, February 27, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present messrs. Livermore, Walker, and Kendrick, also present messrs. Jackson, Howe, and J. C. Olmsted. The record of the last meeting was read & approved. The following bids for grading on the Arborway between South and Centre streets were received and publicly opened and read.

Andrew Barber, Moulton &			Jas. Killian.		
+ O. Mahoney.			+		
E. Walpole.			Boston		
Boston			Boston.		
A. 14000 cu. yds.	.30	4,200.	.34	4,760.	.37 5,180
B. 14000 cu. yds.	.28	3,920.	.34	4,760.	.35 4,900
		\$ 8,120.			\$ 9,520.
					\$ 10,080.
Michael Russo, H. P. Nawn.			G. F. Hervey.		
+ W. F. Parley			+ M. D. Connor.		
Boston.			Boston.		
Boston.			Boston.		
A. 14000 cu. yds.	.32	4,480.	.30	4,200.	.30 4,200.
B. 14,000 cu. yds.	.41	5,740.	.50	7,000.	.75 10,500.
		\$ 10,220.			\$ 11,200.
					\$ 14,700.

The contract was awarded to Andrew Barber and the amount of bond fixed at twenty five hundred dollars. Mr. Barber submitted the names of John F. Frege of Walpole and Frank A. Sales of Norwood, as bondsmen which were provisionally accepted.

Messrs. Bollino & Ham submitted the names of George P. Barrett and Edward Reardon of Boston as bondsmen under their contract for filling on the Dorchesterway, which were approved, and Messrs. John Caranagh & Co. presented the names of John Cashman of Quincy and W. H. Caranagh of Boston as bondsmen under their contract for grading on the Dorchesterway which names were accepted subject to inquiry as to their financial standing.

Mr. Dudley A. Dorr representing C. M. Cotting for the R. W. Sears Estate came before the Board to see what further steps were needed to be taken to effect

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a settlement of the betterments assessed upon the Sears Estate in connection with the proposed agreement to hold the remaining land subject to the usual restrictions. The Commissioners agreed to make a settlement on the terms proposed in view of Mr. Cottin's claim that it was agreed at the time of his sale of the land to the City that no betterments should be assessed upon Mr. Sears' remaining land in consideration of his accepting the the assessed valuation for the land to be taken, and suggested that Mr. Dorr confer with the Law Department as to the course necessary to pursue to carry out such agreement.

Commodore Morrill of the South Boston Yacht Club and Mr. Dorr representing the Boston Yacht Club came before the Board and generally accepted locations for the said clubs ^{and} submitted formal agreements for a settlement of their claims for damages. It was thereupon Voted, that the location assigned to the South Boston Yacht Club to be occupied by it shall be the most easterly one, with a front of two hundred feet as shown on the plan of sites reserved for Yacht Clubs and boat houses, dated Feb. 27, 1893. on file in the office of this Board.

Also, that the form of agreement for the settlement of the damages of the South Boston Yacht Club submitted to the Board by said club this day be approved: and the City Solicitor be authorized to cause judgment entered according to said agreement if in his opinion it is in proper form.

Voted, that the location assigned to the Boston Yacht Club to be occupied by it shall be that on the stone wharf, at the westerly end of the sites reserved for Yacht Clubs and boat houses with a front on the Parkway of 200 feet as shown on the plan of the same, dated February 27, 1893. on file in the office of this Board.

Voted, that the form of agreement for a settlement of the damages of the Boston Yacht Club sub-

mitted to the Board by said Club this day be approved, and the City Solicitor be authorized to have judgment entered in favor of said Boston Yacht Club in accordance with said agreement if in his opinion it is in proper form and upon said Club's proving title to the parcel of land and flats taken from it by an Act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, and also upon its giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of public park deed for the Parkway South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

Mr. C. C. Powers representing Charles L. Brown made application for the privilege of placing a merry-go-round in the public parks, Castle Island preferred. The Commissioners requested Mr. Powers to put his application in writing to be considered later by the Board.

Mr. J. W. Proctor, Assistant City Solicitor came before the Board to confer in regard to the claim of the Choate Burnham Estate for damages for the taking of the ninth street lot and it was Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle the case of the Choate Burnham Estate for damages for the taking of the ninth street lot for the sum of five hundred thousand dollars.

The following was received:

" Boston; Feb. 25th. 1893.

To the Board of Park Commissioners,

of the City of Boston. Gentlemen:

It is my pleasure in presenting you in behalf of the Cedar Lodge Shooting Club, with a pair of Canada Geese. These geese and their ancestors, have been raised by the Club, and have

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been in continuous use as live decoys for a period of seventy years. They will be a year old in May. We hope that this addition to your collection of the largest variety of the family to which they belong will be accepted. I remain, Yours very truly,

Edward C. Hodges.

and it was

Voted, that the gift of Canada Geese presented by Mr. Hodges in behalf of the Cedar Lodge Shooting Club be accepted and the thanks of the Board be tendered to the said Club.

The following were received read and placed on file.
" Boston, February 24, 1893.

" Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State Street.

" Gentlemen: Complaint is made that the snow
" is not removed from the sidewalks on Longwood Avenue
" in the limits of Riverdale Park. As this street is now
" within the limits of your park, it would seem as if it is
" the duty of the Park Department to care for the sidewalks.
" Yours truly, H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets."

Boston, February 24, 1893

" Mr. J. B. Coe, 117 Federal Street. Dear Sir:-

" The street you mention is within the limits of the
" new park, and is in the care of the Park Department.
" I have referred your complaint to them.

" Yours truly, H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets.

" Commissioners

" Boston Park Department, Gentlemen. The complaint
" referred to above is in regard to your neglect to shovel
" a path across the Riverdale Park Way where it crosses
" Longwood Avenue. I merely voice the sentiment of
" those who travel back and forth between their homes
" and the Longwood Station. Yours respectfully J. B. Coe."

Mr. Coe reported that the stones offered by Mr. Page in his letter of January 27th are of no value for masonry but if they can be left where they are until we can use them for road metal we could make good use of them when we surface the roads in that vicinity.

The Secretary was directed to reply to Mr. Page giving the statement of the Engineer in Charge and say that the Board would be glad to remove the stones in the manner indicated by the Engineer.

The Secretary stated that Charles A. Alexander had offered to take four hundred and fifty dollars, which was 20% over the assessed valuation for the lot on the corner of Shelburn and Buttonwood streets taken for the Parkway Old Harbor, & it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whom of a certain parcel of land belonged to Charles A. Alexander as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Charles A. Alexander the sum of Four hundred and fifty dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request to the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized with the approval of the Mayor to make a contract with Messrs. Moulton and O'Mahoney for the distribution of the loam on the parkway, Muddy River at the contract price or lower if such terms can be made, the work to be finished on or before June 1st. 1893.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to make a contract on the best possible terms for the removal of the three wooden cottages on Castle Island, the government troops at

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Fort Warren to be allowed to take such parts of said buildings as they may desire.

Mr. Don Chairman Board of Street Commissioners came before the Board to confer in regard to the land of A. A. Folsom adjoining Tremont entrance. He said that they were negotiating for several parcels of land to be taken from Mr. Folsom for the widening of Huntington Avenue and desired to know if the Board would construct a road on the Folsom land adjoining Tremont entrance if Mr. Folsom would give the land and hold the remaining land subject to restrictions.

The Commissioners replied that if the proposed road could be filled with City ashes at the usual price per load they would favor accepting such an offer.

The City Engineer submitted estimates for constructing Beaver Street according to the two plans submitted to him by the Landscape Architects and after discussion the Chairman was requested to confer with the Mayor in the matter.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Sec'y.

Boston, March 6, 1893

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs. Livermore, Walker & Kendrick.

Also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe, & F. L. & J. B. Ormsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

Mr. A. A. French, Engineer for the Town of Brookline,

presented the following proposals for building two masonry bridges to carry the foot path over the river and river near Longwood Avenue which had been received under advertisement issued by the Brookline Park Commissioners;

Murdough & Lynch.	\$ 8,233.	8,100.	16,333
Leavitt, Daily & Crockett.	8,360.	8,525.	16,885
F. A. Snow.	8,585.	9,412.	17,997
Jones & Meehan.	8,930.	10,000.	18,930.
Johnson Bros.	12,131.	9,150.	21,285
Hersey & O'Conner.	11,403.	11,870.	23,273
John Cavanaugh.	11,900.	11,400.	23,300
Kelly & O'Hearn.	12,981.	14,052	27,033

Mr. Francis stated that Messrs. Murdough & Lynch had had no experience in doing masonry work as was called for under this contract, and for that reason he recommended that their bid be rejected, and the contract awarded to the next lowest bidder.

After some discussion the matter was laid over until the next meeting to enable the Chairman to consult the Corporation Council as to whether the advertisement for bids by the Brookline Park Commissioners fulfilled the requirements of the law in regard to the making of contracts by this department.

Mr. Charles P. Curtis came before the Board to confer in regard to a settlement of the damages for the taking of land from the estate of Joseph H. Curtis, and suggested that a settlement could be made on the basis of fifty cents per ft. which proposition the Board declined.

Mr. D. A. Dorr came before the Board to ask for a further amendment of the agreement in the case of the Boston Yacht Club to specifically designate as the new site for its buildings the stone wharf adjoining its present site. The amendment was agreed to and the agreement as amended was adopted as follows:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Suffolk, S. S.

Superior Court.

No. 2165.

Second Session.

The Boston Yacht Club. V The City of Boston.

In the above entitled cause it is agreed that judgment may be entered for the petitioner

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in the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, for damages for the taking of the petitioner's buildings, the title to which the petitioner agrees is vested by the taking in said City.

It is further agreed that on said judgment no execution shall issue, no interest shall be added thereto and no suit shall be brought so long as the petitioner shall be permitted by the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston to occupy its present site undisturbed, or a new site for its said buildings under the supervision of said Board free of rent, on the water margin of the parkway to be laid out by said Board; that is to say on the stone wharf adjoining its present site, with a front on the parkway of two hundred feet, as shown on the plan and referred to in the vote of the Board of Park Commissioners, dated February 27th. 1893, copies of which plan and vote are hereto attached. The City of Boston agrees to pay the necessary expense of removal to the new site, but shall not be obliged to make such removal from the present site until the same is made necessary by the progress of the work on said parkway.

The City of Boston assumes all betterments upon the remaining land of the petitioner, on account of the laying out of said parkway.

If at the end of twenty-five (25) years from the date hereof the Board of Park Commissioners shall have allowed the petitioner to occupy its new site in accordance with this agreement, the right to obtain execution for the said sum of Five Thousand Dollars for the said buildings shall cease, and during the continuance of the occupation of the said site by said Boston Yacht Club, free of rent, in consideration thereof it shall do all its own repairs upon the buildings.

It is further agreed that said City has paid to the petitioner, the sum of Five Thousand Dollars in full settlement of all damages sustained by the petitioner on account of the taking of its land as set forth in its petition. It is further agreed that

said Boston Yacht Club shall at its own expense keep said buildings insured against fire in a sum not less than Five Thousand Dollars and in case of loss the proceeds of the insurance policies shall be devoted to restoring said buildings.

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land and flats belonged to the Boston Yacht Club as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Boston Yacht Club the sum of Five thousand dollars upon its proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of public park deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the City Solicitor be authorized to consent to judgment in favor of the said Boston Yacht Club, for the further sum of Five thousand dollars as damages to its buildings in accordance with an agreement therefor approved this day, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered 478 on assessment plan South Boston amounting to ten hundred and fifteen dollars and assessed to the Boston Yacht Club be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City by vote of this Board under Chapter 226 of the acts of the year 1884.

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Mr. L. E. Hubbard came before the Board in regard to the placing of restrictions on the Goldsmith's Land at the Arboretum. He said that they would agree to the restrictions if modified to permit the erection of wooden houses to cost not more than \$3,000. for single and \$5,000. for double houses, subsequently after consideration of the matter the Secretary was directed to reply that the Commissioners after consideration have determined that public policy would not allow them to change the restrictions at that point.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Hankey had made an offer of settlement as follows: The Board to pay \$17,500 and assume betterments. Mr. Hankey to restrict his remaining land for seventy feet from the Parkway as set forth in the City's printed form of deed for the Parkway South Boston. The Board to vote to allow occupancy of the filled wharf free of front until May 1st, 1895. and of the pile wharf until the progress of the work requires its removal, and to allow him to remove the buildings.

Mr. Hankey's proposition was accepted and it was Voted, that whenever by an act of this Board, passed

April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land and flats belonged to Anthony Hankey, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Anthony Hankey the sum of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of public park deed for the Parkway, South Boston, excepting that in the covenant in regard to restrictions the distance of one hundred feet may read seventy feet from the curved park line of 3075 feet radius extended westerly, also ^{upon his giving} an acquittance and discharge.

of all damages, costs, and expenses is considered of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that in addition to the above named Anthony Hankey be permitted to occupy free of rent the filled wharf until May 1st. 1895, and the pile wharf until the progress of the work of filling the parkway requires its removal and that he be allowed to take the buildings.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered 481 on assessment plan South Boston, amounting to eleven hundred and sixty two dollars and assessed to Anthony Hankey be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City by vote of this Board under Chapter 226 of the Acts of the year 1884.

The Chairman reported that he had conferred with the Mayor in the matter of the proposed widening and constructing of Seaver Street and that he had stated to him that the land would cost sixty six thousand dollars, as estimated by the Street Commissioners, and that the construction of the street would cost about seventy thousand dollars, according to the estimates of the Engineers, and that the Mayor had said that he would agree to the taking of the land now by the Street Commissioners but that he would not, if in the place of the Board, go on with construction at present.

Mr. Morse reported that under the instructions of the Board at the last meeting he had conferred with Messrs. Boulton & McMahon as to their willingness to undertake the work of distributing the loam delivered on the Parkway by the R. R. Co. in connection with the work

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being done under their present contract and that they offered to do the work expeditiously for twenty-five cents per cubic yard which is the price now paid them for distributing loam under said contract, and that they would not undertake the work at a less price.

Mr. Jackson submitted a topographical plan of the land belonging to the City of Boston and adjoining property on Chestnut Hill Avenue, Brighton, and the plan was referred to the landscape Architects to consider and report upon a plan for laying out so much thereof as may be desirable for park purposes.

The following was received and referred to the Chairman for reply.

"Health Department March 2nd. 1893.

"To the Park Commissioner, City of Boston:

"Gentlemen: Will you kindly notify the Board of Health at what time it is proposed to lay the drain to draw off the stagnant water adjacent to the Parkway near the corner of Brookline Avenue and Francis Street. We are getting more complaints about this place, and we should like to be able to notify the complainants as to the prospect of the abatement of the nuisance there.

"Very respectfully, E. E. Davis Jr. Secy."

Mr. Proctor, Assistant City Solicitor came before the Board and submitted an offer from J. A. Carroll to settle the case of J. A. Carroll for the commissioners estimate of value, namely: \$945.66 provided the remaining land is relieved from betterment.

The Commissioners accepted the offer provided Mr. Carroll would give the usual deed carrying restrictions. Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to make an offer of ten thousand dollars to the Suffolk Brewing Company in settlement of its damages for the taking of the parcel of flats on Ninth Street for the Parkway Old Harbor.

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to make an offer of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars to the Heirs of Mary E. Palmer, in settlement of damages for the taking of her lands for the Parkway Middle River, betterments to be assumed by the City, and restrictions to be placed on their remaining lands fronting on the Parkway.

Mr. Proctor further stated that Mary E. Haskins offers to settle for the parcel of land and flats on 9th Street taken from her for the Parkway Old Harbor for twenty three hundred dollars. Mr. Proctor said that he had proposed two thousand dollars, and it was Voted, that the Law Department be authorized to settle the case at its discretion.

The Secretary stated that Mr. A. E. Denison desired him to submit to the Board an offer of three cents per foot for land of James A. and William A. Tucker on Talbot Avenue taken for Franklin Field. The proposition was declined and an offer of fifteen hundred and eleven ⁰⁰/₁₀₀ dollars was authorized to be made to them in settlement of damages.

cir. no. 24. City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.

To the Heads of Departments. Gentlemen:

Heads of Departments are requested to leave all papers requiring the signature of the Mayor but no personal explanation, with the clerks in the outer office.

If personal explanation is subsequently found to be necessary the Heads of Departments will be notified to that effect. Respectfully, N. Matthews, Jr. Mayor.

The following was received and the form of acceptance inclosed was signed by the Chairman.

World's Columbian Exposition

Chicago, Ill., U. S. A. May 1 - 1893 - Oct. 30.

Department of Liberal Arts. Assignment of Space

Assignment No. 763 - Group No. 150.

Class. No. 864 Dept. No. L.

Chicago Feby, 28. 1893.

To Park Commissioners of Boston. Francis A. Parker. Pres.

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" You are hereby advised that space 22 ft. 8 inches by
" 20 ft. (453 sq. ft.) has been assigned you under assign-
" cation No. 9537. The location is in Section K as
" indicated in the accompanying diagram of the gallery
" floor of the Building for Manufactures and Liberal
" Arts. On the receipt of the inclosed Form of Acceptance
" signed by you this Department will forward a plan
" of the Section in which this space is located.
" The plan will give exact measurements and location with
" reference to aisles or roads and will indicate maximum
" heights to which exhibits may go. Your exhibit
" must not weigh over 80 pounds per square foot of
" space occupied. Very respectfully,

Selim H. Peabody,

Chief Department of Liberal Arts.

" Approved, George R. Davis, Director General. "

Geo. F. Cleaves,
Secy.

Boston, March 13. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present Mess. Livermore, Tucker and Kendrick, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved. Mr. George Morrill representing John P. Howe and Henry C. Howe came before the Board to confer in regard to a settlement of their claim for damages for the taking of five parcels of land for the Parkway, Old Harbor. He said that they ask to be allowed 7 1/2 cents per foot for the land west of the Old Colony railroad, including the land taken in Mowsey Avenue, making a total of \$2,127.90. They were willing to accept the Commissioners estimate of the lots east of the railroad amounting to \$311.12. The Commissioners suggested that an offer of 25% above the assessed value

of the land would be favorably considered, the City to assume the betterments, and the remaining lands to be subjected to the usual restrictions.

The Chairman stated that he had brought the matter of the proposed contract for the foot bridges, proposals for which had been received by the Brookline Park Commissioners, to the attention of the Corporation Council, and that the Corporation Council advised him that as the Board could let a contract with the approval of the Mayor without advertising for bids, the letting of this proposed contract did not therefore exceed the Board's authority as it will necessarily bear the Mayor's approval. He further said that the Board could be justified in accepting the second lowest bid if it was satisfied that the lowest bidder had no experience in the work required to be done. It was thereupon Voted, that the bid of Murdough and Lynch be

rejected owing to their want of experience in doing masonry work and that the Board join with the Brookline Park Commissioners in awarding the contract to Messrs. Leavitt, Daily and Brockell.

The Chairman further stated that he had conferred with the Corporation Council on the subject of the proposed widening of Leaver street, the Engineer having reported that the difference in cost of the two plans was slight, and that the plan proposed by the Street Commissioners would result in less damage to the Park. The Corporation Council said that he should advise as a practical matter that the land might be taken by the Park Commissioners. The Secretary was thereupon directed to draw up the usual form for taking the lands, to be acted upon at the next meeting of the Board.

The Secretary stated that Senear Mc. Eachran offers to take twenty five cents per foot for the lower lot taken from him on Mt. Vernon street and fifty five cents for the corner lot, also that he would accept thirty four hundred dollars for the house and land taken from Johanna Mc. Eachran and allow two hundred dollars for

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the house, or four hundred dollars for that and the Goddell house. The offers were declined.

The Secretary stated that H. W. Powers offered to settle for the land taken from him for seventeen hundred and fifty dollars, with restrictions and no betterment on the remaining land as provided for in the usual park deed, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land was supposed to belong to Moses Kimball as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Henry W. Powers the sum of seventeen hundred and fifty dollars, upon his proving title to the northerly part thereof, containing 6,963 square feet, and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Resolved, that the vote of this Board of January 30, 1893, awarding damages to Quincy A. and Pauline E. A. Shaw for land taken for Jamaica Park be rescinded, and the following amended form of vote, upon the recommendation of the Law Department, be passed:

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed December 24, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties whereof two certain parcels of land were supposed to belong to Quincy A. Shaw, as appears by

said act, there be awarded and paid to Quincy A. and Pauline E. A. Shaw the sum of ten thousand six hundred dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of 'Public Park' deed for the Parkway Muddy River, also upon their giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs, and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the City Solicitor be authorized to consent to judgment in favor of said Quincy A. Shaw for the additional sum of ten thousand dollars for damages for the taking of the most easterly of said parcels, between Perkins street and Jamaica Pond, with an agreement that no execution shall issue, nor suit be brought on said judgment unless some structure shall hereafter be erected on said parcel, and suffered to remain thereon for more than thirty days after written notice from said Quincy A. Shaw, or from the owner of the westerly parcel now standing in the name of Pauline E. A. Shaw, to the Board of Park Commissioners to remove the same, and that interest shall be added only from the time of the erection of such structure; provided however, that in no event shall execution issue on said judgment, or suit be brought thereon after the expiration of twenty five years from the entry of such judgment, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The Secretary stated that Mr. C. B. Baxter had discovered errors in the plan of the taking of the lands for the Parkway from Five Corners to the Old Colony Railroad and had drawn a corrected plan which in the opinion of the Law Department should be filed for record.

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It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas there are errors in the plan of taking of lands for a public park in Dorchester, dated April 29. 1892, and recorded in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Suffolk, the Secretary file in said Registry of Deeds the corrected plan of said taking signed by William Jackson, City Engineer, and dated March 13. 1893.

The Secretary reported that Mr. Carroll had agreed to the proposal to restrict his remaining land in connection with his offer of settlement made at the last meeting of the Board through Assistant ^{city} Solicitor Proctor, and it was

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to consent to judgment in favor of Patrick H. Carroll for the sum of nine hundred and forty-five and $\frac{66}{100}$ dollars, without interest and costs, upon his proving title to the parcel of flats taken by this Board April 30. 1890. and upon his giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking.

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on lot numbered 479 on assessment plan South Boston, amounting to ten hundred and fifty three dollars and assessed to Patrick H. Carroll be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City by vote of this Board under Chapter 226 of the Acts of the year 1884.

The Secretary stated that Mr. King representing George H. Reed had asked that the deed be drawn to carry out the proposed settlement under the vote of the Board of August 22. 1892, whereby the City will assume the betterment amounting to two hundred and thirty dollars on the portion of the land to be restricted. It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Muddy River, belonging to several persons or parties, one of a certain parcel of land belonged to George H. Burt, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said George H. Burt the sum of twenty seven and $\frac{52}{100}$ dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway Muddy River, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the ^{City} Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to consent to a judgment in the Petterment petition of George H. Burt on the finding of an assessed Petterment of four hundred and seventy five dollars without interest and without costs to either party.

The following was received and referred to the Chairman for reply:

" City of Boston. In Common Council,
" March 2, 1893.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners
" be requested to consider the expediency of acceding
" to the general desire of the boys of Jamaica Plain,
" Eggleston Square and other sections of Ward 23, in
" allowing the playing of base ball, foot ball and
" other games on a part of the Playfield in Franklin
" Park, to be designated by them, during the present
" year, and that said Board be requested to communicate

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" to the Common Council as to their approval thereof.
" Passed in Common Council March 2, 1893.

" A true copy, Attest:- Joseph O'Hane,

Clark of the Common Council."

"The following was received read and placed on file.

" City of Boston. In Common Council, January 26, 1893.

" Ordered: That the Board of Park Commissioners be
" hereby requested to light up the Charlestant on every
" evening until ten o'clock, during the skating season.

" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" February 20, concurred.

" The foregoing order was presented to the Mayor February
" 21, 1893, and was not returned by him within ten days
" thereafter.

" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

" Applications from Mrs. D. L. Finnham and Theresa
" Grant for the position of Matron at Marine Park were
" received and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

" A communication from Miss Abby L. Alger to General
" Walker in regard to the application of Antonio Gregorie
" for permission to sell refreshments at Marine Park was
" received and the Secretary was directed to reply that
" the Board does not anticipate taking up the question
" until May when Mr. Gregorie's application will receive
" due consideration.

" Applications from Gustave Wolff, Samuel Davis and
" John H. Collins for permission to sell refreshments at
" Marine Park and Castle Island were received and laid
" over for future consideration.

"The following was received.

" Boston, March 9, 1893.

" To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston:

" Gentlemen: The Trustees of the Fenway Land
" Company hereby request you to provide suitable
" lighting on the Fenway, between Poylston Street and
" the Holland Entrance, so that they may have access
" to the houses now being constructed by them.

" The Boston Electric Co. is ready to lay the wires at

" at once, when the kind of light is determined upon
 " by your Board. Yours truly, J. D. Braman, Trustee."

Mr. Howe reported the estimated cost of lighting the
 Pans to be as follows:

	Construction	Maintenance per year.
50 arc lights with overhead wires.	lamps 7.175	7.300
400 Gas lights.	9.400	8.072
400 Incandescent lights with overhead wires.	10.500	12.000

After discussing the matter, was referred to the Chairman
 to address a letter to the Mayor suggesting the under-
 taking of this work by the Lamp Department.

The following was received:

" Boston March 14, 1893.

" Hon. Board of Park Commissioners, Boston, Mass.

" Gentlemen: The Boston Cricket Club respectfully applies
 " to the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners for
 " permission to play Cricket on Franklin Field
 " during the summer of 1893, or during the absence
 " of the Commissioners, Yours respectfully

Boston Cricket Club, C. Turner, Secy."

and it was

Voted, that the request of the Boston Cricket Club
 for permission to play cricket on Franklin Field
 be granted at a place to be selected in consultation
 with the Engineer in Charge.

Mr. Howe reported that he had received bids
 for granite steps for Charleston Heights as follows:

L. M. Mathews. Daintree Red Granite, Quincy, Lake Ann.
 1.398. 1.569.

Rockport Granite Co. 1.394.

Pigeon Hill Granite Co. 12.35 per step. 2.013.00

Granite Railway Co. 1.775.

and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to
 accept the bid of L. M. Mathews upon Mr.
 Amsted's statement that the Daintree Red Granite
 in said bid was preferable at the price.

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Mr. Jackson submitted amended plans for abutments for Audubon Road Bridge dated February 28. 1893, and it was

Resolved, that the Chairman be authorized to notify Messrs. Jones and Meehan, contractors for building abutments and David H. Andrews, contractor for steel superstructure, to make alterations in the form and character of the work under said contracts in accordance with plans dated Feb. 28. 1893, and signed by William Jackson, City Engineer.

Mr. Elmsted submitted a plan for the proposed exhibit at Chicago, and said that he had conferred with the City Architect in regard to the cabinet work, that he estimated the cost at two hundred and seventy five dollars, and that he would make working drawings of the same.

It was thereupon

Resolved, that the Landscape Architects be authorized to erect the cabinet work required for said exhibit at said estimate of cost.

Resolved, that the City Engineer be authorized to complete the surveys for the Parkway in South Bay at an additional expense of not exceeding five hundred dollars.

Resolved, that insurance be placed as follows: nine thousand dollars on buildings machinery etc. in pumping station at Jamaica Pond at one per cent, and one thousand dollars on dwelling house adjoining at $\frac{3}{4}$ of 1%, for five years from 4th March 1893.

The Chairman laid before the Board letters addressed to him by Benjamin O. Low requesting leave to make application for reappointment on the Park Police, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board has determined that his name ought not to be put on the list, and to call his attention to the fact that the Civil Service Commissioners have established a rule that employees discharged for offences such as he was accused of shall not be reappointed within a year, and the Board sees no reason to adopt a different rule.

Geo. H. Clarke
Secy.

Boston, March 20, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess Livermore and Kendrick, all having been duly notified, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe and J. B. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. J. L. Braman, representing Dwight Braman, asked the Board if rights of access would be allowed and a suitable walk provided in Westland Entrance for his lands lying between said entrance and Parker Street. The Commissioners replied that they were prepared to make whatever concessions were necessary to provide a frontage to the lots in question under proper restrictions to be agreed upon and suggested that Mr. Braman draw up a paper covering the matter from his point of view.

Mr. Wheeler representing Caroline Jackson's land taken for Franklin Field came before the Board to confer in regard to a basis for a settlement of their damages. The Commissioners offered to pay the valuation of 1892, it being double the assessed value of 1891, which was used by the Commission in estimating the expense of the taking. Mr. Wheeler said he would consult with his co-trustee and communicate further with the Board.

Mr. Aseneas McEachran came before the Board to confer in regard to a settlement of damages for the taking of land from him and the house and land of Johanna McEachran for the Parkway, Old Harbor. He repeated the offer made by him at the last meeting and said that he had been offered 55 cents per foot for the corner lot. The Commissioners

replied that they would be glad to have the evidence of such an offer presented to them. They further offered 20 cents per foot for the lower lot on Mr. Vernon Street.

Mr. McEachran finally agreed to take thirty two hundred dollars for the house and lot of Johanna McEachran.

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or twenty eight hundred dollars provided she were allowed to take the double house standing upon this and the adjoining lot.

The Commissioners accepted the latter offer and it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29. 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Johanna Mc. Eachran as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Johanna Mc. Eachran the sum of two thousand eight hundred dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that in addition to the above award Johanna Mc. Eachran be allowed to remove the double house standing upon this and the adjoining lot on or before May 1st 1893.

The following was received

" Boston, March 15. 1893.

" Secty. Park Commissioners.

" Gentlemen,

Messrs J. A. & W. A. Tucker

" will execute deed of land at your offer \$1,511.⁵⁰.

" Will you prepare and send deed to me and I

" will have same signed & del^d.

" Resp'y. yr. A. E. Denison. "

and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed May 19. 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in

fee certain parcels of land on or near Talbot and Blue Hill Avenues in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whom of a certain parcel of land belonged to James A. and William A. Tucker, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said James A. and William A. Tucker the sum of Fifteen hundred and eleven and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars upon their giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A corrected list of the present owners of the Richard Clapp estate being furnished by the City Comptroller, it was

Voted, that the vote of this Board of September 26, 1892, awarding damages to Richard C. Humphreys and others for land taken from the heirs or devisees of Richard Clapp for the Parkway Old Harbor be rescinded.

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners in Dorchester belonging to several persons and parties whom of a certain parcel of land belonged to the Heirs or Devisees of Richard Clapp as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Martha Clapp. Rebecca C. Trask, Alfred Clapp. Walter E. Clapp. Mary C. Weis, Curtis Greenwood, Henry Humphreys. Richard C. Humphreys. Charles A. Humphreys. Anna Humphreys. James H. Humphreys. Maria J. Upham. Mary D. Lewis. Emma M. Brown and Abby C. Clapp, the sum of

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sixteen hundred and forty nine dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and Conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A communication was received from F. F. Brewster in regard to erecting a fence between his land and Franklin Park, and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board would be willing to bear half the expense of a suitable fence to be agreed upon in advance, provided the posts are set on the inside and upon his land, also that Mr. Olmsted will meet him to agree upon the style of fence to be erected.

The Secretary was directed to obtain the opinion of the Corporation Council as to whether in view of the errors in the plan of lands, taken April 30. 1890. for a park in Dorchester, as shown by the corrected plan, it would be advisable to make a new taking to include any land which is not shown by the old plan to be already taken.

An application was received from Martin McDonough of Elmira N. Y. for permission to operate a Steam Merry-go-round in the parks of this City and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board cannot encourage him in the hope that a concession would be granted.

The following was received and placed on file.

Circular No. 85. City of Boston, Office of the Mayor.
" To the Heads of Departments.
" Gentlemen: You are hereby directed to allow
" all men in the employ of the City, whose services

" can be dispensed with, a holiday, without loss of pay,
 " on Evacuation Day, March 17th, 1893, as part
 " compensation for the services rendered by such
 " employes to the City of Boston.

Respectfully, N. Matthews R. Mayor.

" March 13. 1893.

The following was received and the vote passed
 as requested:

" Brookline, Mass. 14th. March 1893.

" Mr. George F. Clarke, Sec'y. of the Park Commission,
 " 53 State St. Boston, Mass.

" Dear Sir:- Will you kindly bring the following
 " vote to the attention of the Board and request that
 " it be passed, in order to give Mr. Eliot a proper position
 " in the work in which we are concerned:

" Voted That the agreement for professional services
 " now existing between this Board and Messrs F. L.
 " Olmsted & Co., Landscape Architects, be modified by
 " substituting the firm name of Olmsted, Olmsted &
 " Eliot for that of F. L. Olmsted & Co., wherever it occurs,
 " and further by substituting the name of Charles
 " Eliot for that of Henry Sargent Godman wherever it
 " occurs.

" This modification to take effect upon acceptance in
 " writing by F. L. Olmsted & Co. of the action of the Board.

" Yours very truly, F. L. Olmsted & Co.

now Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot."

Voted. That the agreement for professional services
 now existing between this Board and Messrs
 F. L. Olmsted & Co., Landscape Architects, be modified
 by substituting the firm name of Olmsted, Olmsted
 & Eliot for that of F. L. Olmsted & Co. wherever
 it occurs, and further by substituting the name
 of Charles Eliot for that of Henry Sargent Godman
 wherever it occurs. This modification to take
 effect upon acceptance in writing by F. L. Olmsted & Co.
 of the action of the Board.

Voted. that an advertisement similar to that of last

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year be issued for the hiring of teams for work on the public parks.

A petition was received from Officer J. E. Hunt for half pay on account of rheumatism contracted in the ordinary discharge of Police duty.

The petition was referred to Capt. May for further report.

Mr. Proctor, Assistant City Solicitor came before the Board and stated that he had settled the case of Mary C. Haskins for two thousand and seventy five dollars, and taxable costs and he desired a formal vote of the Board to authorize him to consent to judgment for that amount. It was thereupon voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to consent to judgment in favor of Mary C. Haskins for the sum of two thousand and seventy five dollars and taxable costs, upon her proving title to the parcel of flats taken by this Board April 30, 1890, and upon her giving a deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking.

Mr. Proctor further said that Mr. Allen Attorney for the Tufts Estate had asked him what the Commissioners would pay for the Mill Pond property. The Commissioners replied that they had practically offered to give Mr. Tufts what remained of the appropriation for the Charlestown Parks, and would agree to a settlement for that amount.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, March 27, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.

Present Messrs. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick.

Also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe & J. C. Knicker.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved. Alderman Hill and Councilman Cochran came before the Board to request that gymnastic apparatus, bathing arrangements and drinking water be provided at Hood Island Park. The Commissioners indica-

ted what they had planned to do at Hood Island Park and said that if the bill now before the Legislature relating to the issue of the Park Loan was passed nothing would stand in the way of doing the work immediately which they had laid out to do under the present loan.

Alderman Flood came before the Board with Mrs. Julia F. Murphy to present her application and recommendations for the position of Matron at the Marine Park Refectory or other similar position.

The Commissioners took the matter under consideration. Mr. Morrill came before the Board and offered to settle the damages for the taking of five parcels of land from John P. Howe and others, for the Parkway, Old Harbor, for two thousand dollars, and give restrictions, provided their remaining lands are relieved from betterments. Mr. Morrill's offer was accepted & it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near Old Harbor, so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Dorchester, belonging to certain persons or parties whom of five certain parcels of land were supposed to belong to Mary E. Ward, John P. Howe, and Elisha M. Howe, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to John P. Howe, and Henry L. Howe the sum of two

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thousand dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The following was received:

" Boston, March 20, 1893.

" To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.

" On May 19th 1892 your honorable board took
" a certain parcel of land situated on the southerly
" side of Talbot Avenue, in that part of said Boston,
" formerly Dorchester, and belonging to one Cheever Newhall,
" for the purposes of a public park. We are informed
" that no award of damages for the said taking has
" ever been made, therefore, will you be so kind as to make
" such an award of damages for said land so taken, and
" notify us the amount of such award made by your
" board. Hale & Dickerman.

Attorneys for Cheever Newhall."

Mr. Charles Newhall came before the Board and requested that the Board defer action on the petition of Hale & Dickerman, counsel for Cheever Newhall, for an award of damages for the taking of a parcel of his land for Franklin Field. He said they would confer with the Board at a subsequent meeting and submit some evidence of the value of land in that vicinity.

Action upon said petition with others of a similar nature was deferred.

The following were received read and placed on file.

" City of Boston, In Common Council, Feb. 23, 1893.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
" requested to consider and report to the Common Council

" on the expediency of locating a life boat at the
 " Marine Park in South Boston.
 " Passed in Common Council March 23. 1893.
 " A true copy, Attest:- Joseph O'Kane.

Clerk of the Common Council."

City of Boston, Office of the Corporation Counsel
 " March 25th 1893.

" Board of Park Commissioners, Gentlemen:

" Your communication of the 23rd. inst., in
 " relation to lands taken April 30th. 1890, for a park
 " in Dorchester, was received. I concur with Mr.
 " Owen in his recommendations, which ought to be
 " carried into effect at once. As to the question you
 " ask concerning the advisability, of making a new
 " taking, I reply that I do not see any necessity for
 " another taking if the recommendations of Mr. Owen
 " are carried into effect.

" Yours truly, Thomas W. Dabson, Corporation Counsel."

A communication was received from H. H. Carter Super-
 intendent of Streets in regard to the surface drainage
 from Franklin Park which was referred to the Chairman
 for reply. (see letter book 4. p. 723)

Mr. Howe stated that Messrs. Lancier Brothers wanted
 permission to place a stable on the Parkway between
 Perkins and Centre Streets for the teams to be employed
 on the work, and the matter was referred to the
 Chairman to select the most suitable location.

Mr. Jackson submitted plans and specifications
 for a bridge on Arborway over Stony Brook which
 were approved and the City Engineer was authorized
 to advertise for proposals.

The Board estimated the expense of buying under-
 lands for a public park in that part of the
 City of Boston called Roxbury as follows:

Augustus Parker.	sq. ft.	140	\$ 21.00
Ida M. Brooks.	" "	53	29.00
Ellen A. Williams.	" "	136	34.00
"	" "	265	80.00
		<u>594</u>	<u>164.00</u>

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Am. brod. forward.	592.	164.00
Edward H. Bowman.	1239.	434.00
W. D. & L. M. Sargent.	14,395.	4,319.00
Matilda F. Horne.	12,984	3,895.00
John W. Horne.	13,440	4,032.00
Susan H. Long.	28,456	13,000.00
Amos D. Gould.	34,777	11,592.00

sq. feet . . 105,885 \$ 37,436.00

and passed the following act of taking.

City of Boston.

In Board of Park Commissioners,

March 27, 1893.

Whereas, the undersigned duly appointed and qualified as the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, by virtue of and according to the provisions of the Act of the Legislature of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, entitled "An act for the laying out of public parks in or near the City of Boston", being Chapter 185 of the Acts of the year 1875, deem it desirable to take the following described parcels of land for the purposes and under the powers and limitations set forth in said Act: now, therefore, we the said Board of Park Commissioners, by the authority conferred upon us by the said Act and by the City Council of said City of Boston which has made the appropriations necessary to cover the estimated expenses of our action in the premises, have taken and hereby do take and locate as and for a public park the following described parcels of land, situated in that part of the City of Boston ^{called Roxbury} _{namely}:

A parcel of land belonging to Augustus Parker, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point in the north easterly line of Beaver Street, distant 27 $\frac{1}{100}$ feet northwesterly from the end of the same at the junction of said Beaver Street and Blue Hill Avenue; thence running northwesterly by other land of said Parker, by a curved line of 876 $\frac{76}{100}$ feet radius, 122 $\frac{50}{100}$ feet, thence running easterly by said Beaver Street, by two lines, measuring respectively 50 feet, and 42 $\frac{39}{100}$ feet;

to the point of beginning: containing 140 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Ida M. Brooks bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly corner of Seaver Street and Humboldt Avenue, and running northeasterly by said Humboldt Avenue $19 \frac{40}{100}$ feet: thence running southerly, by a curved line of 30 feet radius, $25 \frac{10}{100}$ feet to said Seaver Street: thence running northwesterly by said Seaver Street $10 \frac{30}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 53 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Ellen A. Williams, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northwesterly corner of Seaver Street and Humboldt Avenue, and running northwesterly by said Seaver Street $16 \frac{30}{100}$ feet: thence running easterly by a curved line of 25 feet radius $29 \frac{60}{100}$ feet to said Humboldt Avenue: thence running southeasterly by said Humboldt Avenue $27 \frac{50}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 136 square feet, more or less.

Another parcel of land belonging to Ellen A. Williams, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Seaver Street, at land hereinafter described as taken from Edward H. Bowman, and running northeasterly by said last mentioned land $12 \frac{20}{100}$ feet to other land of said Williams: thence running southerly by said last mentioned land, by a curved line of 1500 feet radius, $21 \frac{90}{100}$ feet, and by a curved line of 558 $\frac{91}{100}$ feet radius, $23 \frac{70}{100}$ feet to said Seaver Street: thence running northwesterly by said Seaver Street $45 \frac{80}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 265 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Edward H. Bowman, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Seaver Street, at land heretofore described as taken from Ellen A. Williams, and running northwesterly by said Seaver Street 60 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Grace D.

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Sargent Jr., and Lucius M. Sargent; thence running northeasterly by said last mentioned land 30 feet to other land of said Bowman; thence running southerly by said last mentioned land, by a curved line of 1500 feet radius, $59\frac{80}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from Ellen A. Williams; thence running southwesterly by said last mentioned land $12\frac{70}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning containing 1239 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Horace P. Sargent Jr., and Lucius M. Sargent, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Beaver Street, at land hereinbefore described as taken from Edward H. Bowman, and running northwesterly by said Beaver Street $222\frac{50}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Matilda F. Horne; thence running northeasterly by said last mentioned land 95 feet to other land of said Horace P. Sargent Jr. and Lucius M. Sargent; thence running southerly by said last mentioned land, by a curved line of 1500 feet radius, $69\frac{10}{100}$ feet, and thence by a reverse curve of 1500 feet radius $158\frac{30}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from said Bowman; thence running southwesterly by said last mentioned land 30 feet to the point of beginning; containing 14,395 square feet more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Matilda F. Horne, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Beaver Street at land hereinbefore described as taken from Horace P. Sargent Jr., and Lucius M. Sargent, and running northwesterly by said Beaver Street $95\frac{42}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from John W. Horne; thence running northeasterly by said last mentioned land $126\frac{20}{100}$ feet to land now or formerly of Lewis E. Huntington; thence running southeasterly by said last mentioned land, and by land now or formerly of Marcus W. Smith, $117\frac{40}{100}$ feet to land of said Horace P. Sargent Jr. and Lucius M. Sargent; thence running southwesterly by said last mentioned land, and by said land described as taken from said Horace

O. Sargent Jr. and Lucius W. Sargent, 127 $\frac{100}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 12,984 square feet, more or less.

A parcel ^{of land} belonging to John W. Horne, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Seaver Street, at land hereinbefore described as taken from Matilda H. Horne, and running northwesterly by said Seaver Street 95 $\frac{42}{100}$ feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Susan H. Long; thence running northeasterly by said last mentioned land 140 $\frac{70}{100}$ feet to land now or formerly of Elizabeth E. Stevens; thence running southeasterly by said last mentioned land, and by land now or formerly of Jessie E. Huntington, by two lines, measuring respectively 98 $\frac{99}{100}$ feet, and 13 $\frac{41}{100}$ feet, to said land described as taken from Matilda H. Horne; thence running southwesterly by said last mentioned land 126 $\frac{70}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 13,440 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Susan H. Long, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly line of Seaver Street, at land hereinbefore described as taken from John W. Horne, and running northwesterly by said Seaver Street 196 feet to land hereinafter described as taken from Amos D. Gould; thence running northeasterly by said last mentioned land 127 $\frac{90}{100}$ feet to land now or formerly of George H. Williams; thence running southeasterly by said last mentioned land, and by land now or formerly of Elizabeth E. Stevens, by four lines, measuring respectively 127 $\frac{39}{100}$ feet, 42 $\frac{90}{100}$ feet, 60 $\frac{30}{100}$ feet, and 1 $\frac{36}{100}$ feet to said land described as taken from ^{said} John W. Horne; thence running southwesterly by said last mentioned land 140 $\frac{70}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning: containing 28,456 square feet, more or less.

A parcel of land belonging to Amos D. Gould, bounded and described as follows: Beginning on the northeasterly line of Seaver Street, at land hereinbefore

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described as taken from Susan H. Long, and running northwesterly by said Beaver Street 256 feet; thence running northwesterly by a curved line at the junction of said Beaver Street and Walnut Avenue $32\frac{25}{100}$ feet; thence running northeasterly by said Walnut Avenue 110 feet to land now or formerly of George H. Williams; thence running southeasterly by said last mentioned land $267\frac{50}{100}$ feet to said ^{land} described as taken from said Long; thence running southeasterly by said last mentioned land $127\frac{90}{100}$ feet to the point of beginning, containing 34.777 square feet, more or less.

Also the fee and soil of so much of Beaver Street and Humboldt Avenue as is included within the lines shaded in red on the plan hereinafter mentioned.

The above described parcels are shown on a plan entitled "plan of land in the City of Boston, Massachusetts, taken March 27, 1893, for a park under Chapter 185 of the Acts of 1875," made in the office of the City Surveyor, signed by George F. Clarke, Secretary of this Board, dated March 27, 1893, and on file in the office of said Commissioners: a copy whereof is filed in the Registry of Deeds for the County of Suffolk.

Thos. L. Livermore.

Francis A. Walker.

Paul H. Kendrick.

The Board of Park Commissioners
of the City of Boston.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, April 3, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Mess. Walker & Kendrick. Mr. Livermore being absent from the City, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe & F. L. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved. Mr. H. H. Ruster came before the Board and stated that he had been delayed in obtaining additional land on which to build a stable, but that Mr. Nickerson could return from abroad this week, and that he should see him Thursday in regard to the matter. If he failed in his negotiations for this additional land he would proceed immediately to build a new stable upon his own land. Meanwhile he was ready to vacate his stable and requested the temporary use of the stable on the Perkins Estate during the building of his new stable which he said would take about two months from May 1st. It was thereupon voted, that Mr. Ruster have leave to occupy the stable on the Perkins Estate for two months from May 1st provided he keep the building insured for one thousand dollars during said occupancy.

Mr. Otis Shepard, with his counsel Mr. C. R. Clapp and Mr. Collins a broker, came before the Board to negotiate a settlement of his damages for the taking of his land on Dorchester Avenue for the Parkway Old Harbor. Mr. Collins stated that before the taking he had arranged to sell the lot, a part of which was taken, to a Mr. Edward Lynch at sixty cents per foot. The taking of the land caused the trade to fall through. In answer to a question from Mr. Kendrick, Mr. Shepard said that he was to take a mortgage on the property for about half the cost of the buildings to be erected. He put his damages at one dollar per foot for the land taken. Mr. Clapp claimed that the remaining land was very much injured owing to its shape, and that almost the entire frontage on Dorchester Avenue had been cut off. This left room for only one house under the restrictions required by the Commissioners, whereas before the

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taking a block of four or five houses could have been built fronting on the Avenue. The Commissioners said that they would consider the matter at the next meeting.

Assistant City Solicitor Proctor came before the Board and stated that the Suffolk Draining Company would take ten thousand dollars in settlement of its damages provided the Company can run a pipe through the land to the water to procure water for washing ice, and it was

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to settle the case of the Suffolk Draining Company for ten thousand dollars if said Company will accept a licence from the Board to lay a pipe through the park lands for the purpose of procuring water for washing ice.

Mr. Proctor further stated that Mr. Wm. H. Hart had offered to compromise at forty eight thousand dollars and interest and taxable costs allowing the betterments to stand. His former offer was fifty thousand dollars and interest, and the Commissioners offer forty-six thousand dollars and interest. He said that the Corporation Counsel recommended its acceptance and would address a letter to the Board to that effect. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to consent to judgment in favor of Wm. H. Hart for the sum of Forty eight thousand dollars and interest and taxable costs upon his proving title to the six parcels of flats taken by this Board April 30, 1890, and upon his giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway, South Boston, excepting the clause relating to betterments, also upon his giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking.

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Mr. Proctor further said that Mr. Lentino, one of the tenants on the Bellows Estate wants the privilege of selling refreshments on Castle Island and that if such privilege were granted he would be willing to make some concession in the damages claimed for the taking of his leasehold estate.

Mr. Proctor said that the Corporation Council had tried to settle the claims of the tenants on the Bellows's estate, and that they might take a smaller sum if they could be given licenses to sell on Castle Island.

Mr. Bodwell came before the Board and offered to take thirty two hundred dollars in settlement for the house and lot on Mt. Vernon street.

The Commissioners agreed to give thirty one hundred dollars and allow him three weeks in which to move which terms he accepted and it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29. 1897, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, among a certain parcel of land belonged to Mary E. Bodwell as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Mary E. Bodwell, the sum of thirty one hundred dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that Mary E. Bodwell be allowed three weeks in which to remove from the house.

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Mr. James F. Aylward owner of the estate on Seaver street taken in the name of Susan H. Long and mess. J. W. Horne and Amos D. Gould owners of the adjoining estates came before the Board to discuss the question of damages for the taking of their several estates. Mr. Aylward said the assessed value of the property was not anywhere near its real value. He said the land was worth about 75 cts. and a builder had told him that it would cost ten thousand dollars to build the house. It had rented at six hundred dollars per annum. Mr. Horne said that he had been waiting since last September for a permit to build on his land, and that besides the delay he had been to some expense in excavating a cellar before the taking and notice from the Commissioners. He should expect to be reimbursed for this expense in addition to the value of the land.

Mr. Gould stated that he had owned the land about four years and had never asked less than 75 cents for it, and should expect that now.

The Commissioners said that they would have an estimate made on the Long House and would take up the question of damages at a subsequent meeting.

The Secretary stated that Albe C. Clark, trustee under the will of George W. Smith, had agreed with Mr. Owen on a form of deed to convey the one third interest in the land taken from George D. Lusting and George W. Smith, and wished a draft drawn to pay for this one third interest.

It was thereupon.

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land and flats in or near Old Harbor, so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Dorchester where of

two certain parcels of land or flats were supposed to belong to George D. Cushing and George W. Smith as appears by deed but then be awarded and paid to Franklin Smith, Albe C. Clark and Richard C. Humphreys, trustees under the will of George W. Smith the sum of two hundred and thirty-one dollars for an undivided third part of said land or flats upon their proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway, South Boston, except that in the clause relating to restrictions the words "covenant with said City of Boston" and "will hold" may read "so far as our authority as such trustees as aforesaid extends and no farther declare make and place our said" also upon their giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payments; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for public Parks.

The Secretary stated that Messrs. Frank and Edward C. Mosely representing Mary E. Mosley and the heirs of Thomas E. Mosley owners of five parcels of land taken for the Parkway Old Harbor had agreed to take in settlement of their damages an amount in excess of the assessed value proportionately to the amount paid to John P. Howe and others for land similarly situated, which would be in round numbers fifteen hundred dollars and give the usual deed carrying restrictions and no betterments, after discussion it was voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by

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taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near
Old Harbor, so called, in that part of the City
of Boston which was formerly Dorchester, belonging
to several persons or parties whereof five certain
parcels of land were supposed to belong to Mary
E. Moseley, and the Heirs or Assigns of Thomas
E. Moseley, as appears by said act, there be awarded
and paid to Mary E. Moseley, George S. Merrill,
and E. C. Moseley and Frank Moseley, Trustees
for Mary E. Moseley the sum of fifteen hundred
dollars upon their proving title thereto, and giving
a deed for the same, including all the covenants,
agreements, restrictions and conditions contained
in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the
Parkway, South Boston also an acquittance
and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to
the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign
a request on the City Auditor for a special
draft in favor of said payment: said amount to
be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.
The following petitions received at the last meeting
and laid over were considered:

" Boston, March 25th. 1893.

" To Thomas L. Piramoro,

" Paul H. Kendrick and

" Francis A. Walker, Park Commissioners

" of the City of Boston:

" You are respectfully requested
" to assess the damages sustained by us by the taking
" of two parcels of land, one adjoining land taken
" from Jacob W. Seaver and one on Forest Hill Street,
" both in Boston, for a public park, by you on the
" 29th day of April, 1892. Very respectfully,

" Jacob W. Seaver.

" Jacob W. Seaver. Franklin Weld. Stephen H. Williams Jr.
" Trustees under will of George F. Weld."

" Boston, March 25th 1893.

" To Thomas L. Livermore

" Paul H. Kendrick, and

" Francis A. Baker, Park Commissioners

" of the City of Boston:

" You are respectfully requested
" to assess the damages sustained by me by the taking
" of my land on Washington and Morton Streets, in
" the City of Boston, for a public park, by you on
" April 29th 1892. Very respectfully,

" Jacob W. Seaver, by Hutchins & Wheeler
" Attys."

" Boston March 25th 1893.

" To Thomas L. Livermore, Paul H. Kendrick and

" Francis A. Baker, Park Commissioners of the City

" of Boston:

" You are respectfully requested to
" assess the damages sustained by me by the taking of
" a parcel of land belonging to me in Cabot Avenue
" in Boston, for a public park, by you on the 19th
" day of May, 1892. Very respectfully

" Horace W. Jordan.

" by Hutchins & Wheeler, Attys."

and action thereon was taken as follows:
Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April
29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out
in the City of Boston by taking lands belonging to
several persons and parties, whereof two certain
parcels of land, containing respectively 10,990
square feet, and 249,500 square feet, more
or less, belonged to Jacob W. Seaver and the
estate of George F. Hold, as appears by said act,
the estimated expense of taking said parcels
being respectively Eight hundred and seventy
nine $\frac{20}{100}$ dollars, and nineteen thousand, nine
hundred and sixty dollars; and whereas said
Jacob W. Seaver and the trustees under the Will
of George F. Hold have petitioned the Board to

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assess the damages sustained by them by the taking as aforesaid, it is therefore,
Voted, that the Board hereby estimates and determines all damages sustained by the owners of said parcel of ten thousand nine hundred and ninety square feet, by the taking as aforesaid, at the said sum of Eight hundred and seventy nine ²⁰/₁₀₀ dollars and of said parcel of two hundred forty nine thousand five hundred square feet at the said sum of nineteen thousand nine hundred and sixty dollars.

Whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking lands belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Jacob W. Seaver, as appears by said act, the estimated expense of taking said parcel being thirty three hundred and six dollars, and whereas said Jacob W. Seaver, has petitioned the Board to assess the damages sustained by him by the taking as aforesaid it is therefore Voted, that the Board hereby estimates and determines all damages sustained by the owner of said parcel of land, by the taking as aforesaid, at the said sum of thirty three hundred and six dollars.

Whereas by an act of this Board passed May 19, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking lands belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Horace W. Jordan, as appears by said act, the estimated expense of taking said parcel being two hundred dollars, and whereas said Horace W. Jordan has petitioned the Board to assess the damages sustained by him by the taking as aforesaid, it is therefore Voted, that the Board hereby estimates and determines all damages sustained by the owner of said

parcel of land by the taking as aforesaid
at the said sum of two hundred dollars.
The following was received:

Roxbury, March 31. 1893

Col. T. L. Livermore.

Chairman of the Board of Park Commissioners,
Boston -

Sir: In regard to the subject
of our conversation this morning, I would
say that our Company has no objection to
having a stable built by the contractor upon
the ice property on Pond Street in the place desig-
nated, provided that our own stable is allowed
to remain untouched during our occupancy of the
property. If possible also we should like
to have the time for which we are to be permitted
to occupy the premises, extended to Nov. 1/93
instead of Oct. 1/93 as now agreed upon.
The month of October is usually a very busy
one with us, and the extension of time if granted
would lessen very materially the difficulties of
our removal. Respectfully yours.

N. G. Smith, Treas. Jamaica P. Ice Co.
and it was

Voted, that the time for which the Jamaica Pond
Ice Company is permitted to occupy its
premises on Pond Street be extended to November
1st. 1893, provided the contractors for grading
the Parkway assent thereto.

The following was received.

Boston, April 3. 1893.

Board of Park Commissioners, Gentlemen:-

I presented to Col. Livermore a day
or two ago a proposition in regard to the claim
of Reuben Marsh whose estate on Centre St., Jamaica
Plain has been taken by your Board to the effect
that he would accept \$5,000 in settlement pro-
vided he was allowed to remove his house.

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" Col. Livermore told me Saturday that he should
" be absent from the meeting of the Board to-day but
" that he had provided for the consideration of the
" offer. I said to him that if the Board were not
" inclined to settle as proposed it might be well for
" the Board to permit Mr. March in any event to
" remove the house with the understanding, of course,
" that in the ultimate assessment of damages that fact
" should be considered and allowed for for what it is
" worth. Yours respectfully,

Robert M. Allen. "

and it was

Voted, that an offer of Forty-five hundred dollars
with the privilege of removing the house be
made to Reuben March in settlement of his
damages.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to advertise
for proposals for crushed stone paving blocks
and curbetones for Marine Park also to advertise
for proposals for building retaining walls on the
Riverway between Longwood Avenue and Francis
Street as shown on the plan dated October 1892.

The Secretary stated that an inquiry had been
made by Mr. H. E. Temple representing the New
England Telephone and Telegraph Company as
to the manner of relocating the telephone lines on
Brookline Avenue which is made necessary by the
parkway improvements and the Secretary was
directed to reply, that in the opinion of the Board
the wires should be placed underground where
they cross the Parkway and that an application
to that effect could be accepted.

The following were received read and placed
on file:

" Brookline, Mass. 27th March, 1893.

Col. Thos. L. Livermore, President of the
Board of Park Commissioners, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:- We hereby accept the Change

" in the agreement for professional services now
 " existing between this Board and ourselves, as
 " voted by your Board March twentieth, 1893.

Yours very truly, Wm. Jackson & Co.

Wm. Jackson, Wm. Jackson & Co.

" Engineering Department,

Boston April 3. 1893.

" Col. Thos. L. Livermore.

" Char. Bd. of Park Commrs.

" Sir: In accordance with your request
 " the following approximate estimates have
 " been prepared of the probable cost of construct-
 " ing the proposed drive and park on Parker
 " Hill.

" By plan dated Nov. 28. 1892. \$ 200,000.

" " " Decr. 2. 1892. 185,000

Yours respy.

William Jackson, City Engineer. "

Geo. F. Clarke,
 Secy.

Boston, April 8. 1893.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 12.30 P. M. Present Messrs. Livermore, Walker and Kendrick, also present Messrs. Jackson and Howe.

The Chairman stated that he had conferred with the Mayor in regard to the employment of the laborers for this season, and that the Mayor was of opinion that, in view of the expected passage of the bill in the Legislature to amend the Loan bill of 1891 to remove the restriction in regard to the amount of loan which can be issued in any one year, it would be better to employ the whole force with a view of doing all the work possible this year. It was thereupon Voted, that the whole force of laborers be employed

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to begin on Monday next, excepting the force at Franklin Park which owing to the absence of the Foreman shall begin on Tuesday upon the work laid out by the Engineer in Charge as follows:
Statement of work to be done by day labor in 1893.

Jack Lay Fens.

Finish Tremont Entrance.

Walk and Drive on E. side.

Grade and Loam Wetland Entrance.

Muddy River.

Rare Gutters, Build Drains and Basins.

Surface Drive, Ride & Walks. Build Walls.

Marine Park.

Surface Road and Walk.

Build Drains and Basins.

Charlestown Heights.

Surface Walks. Finish Walls & build steps.

Grade Grounds, and Grade Playground.

Wood Island.

Build drains.

Franklin Park.

Complete Circuit drive including slopes

Grade Nursery and finish Propagating House

Finish Scarborough ponds.

Surface Walk Schoolmaster Hill.

Franklin Field.

Drainage.

Arnold Arboretum.

Finish Slopes and Grade approach from South street.

Build Culvert.

Arborway.

Surfacing between Washington and Forest Hills Sts.

Build Drains.

Resolved, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to begin the work of laying drains at Wood Island Park, the main drains to be done by contract and the tile drains by day labor.

Resolved, that the plan for the building at Charlestown

Heights be referred back to the Architects for a new plan as soon as may be to cost not exceeding ten thousand dollars.

Voted, that the City Architect be requested to furnish the plan for the building at Scarborough Pond to be ready for advertising for bids for erection this season.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to make contour surveys of the Parkway Old Harbor from the Old Colony Railroad to Burnham's wharf in order to prepare plans and specifications for advertising for bids for filling the same.

The following was received, read and placed on file:

" City of Boston. Office of the Corporation Counsel.
" April 31. 1893.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners.

" Gentlemen:

" Having prepared the case of
" William H. Hart vs. the City of Boston for trial,
" and having given the matter a great deal of
" attention during the past few months, I am of
" the opinion that it would be for the interest of
" the City to settle the petition, by the payment of
" forty-eight thousand dollars (\$48,000) and interest,
" and could recommend the passage of a vote to
" that effect. I suppose your department has col-
" lected the rents from the wharf since the taking, if
" not, the Street Department and Mr. Holden ought
" to be made to pay the rent which has accrued since
" the property was taken by the City.

" Yours truly,

" Thomas W. Paton
" Corporation Counsel."

Geo. F. Blarke.
Secy.

Boston, April 10, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Messrs Livermore and Kendrick all having been duly notified. Also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting and special meeting of April 5th. were read and approved.

The following bids for building a bridge on Arborway over Stony Brook were received and publicly opened and read.

Bids received April 10 for bridge on Arborway over Stony Brook.

G. F. Hervey Co. \$ 6,275.

W. A. Kenrick Co. 4,700.

Wm. L. Miller 4,284.

Josiah Shaw. 4,990.

The contract was awarded to Wm. L. Miller and the amount of Bond was fixed at 1,400.

Mr. Miller presented the names of Edward P. James of Cambridge and Frank B McQuesten of Boston as bondsmen which were accepted.

Mr. Mulvey, President Roman Catholic Cemetery Association came before the Board to protest against the action of the Board in taking the Cemetery's land for Franklin Field, and to the digging of the proposed ditch through its land. He said that some seven or eight burials had been made in this land and he said that he had been advised that the action of the Board was illegal. The Commissioners suggested that the bodies might be removed and a fair price agreed upon for the land.

Mr. George S. Curtis came before the Board in reference to damages for the land taken from him for the Parkway at Jamaica Pond. He said that his land was worth more than the land taken from Jos. H. Curtis heirs for which they asked.

fifty cents. The Commissioners replied that an offer of fifty cents per foot could not be considered. Mr. Oles Shepard with his counsel Mr. J. R. Clark came before the Board in reference to his claim for damages for the taking of his land on Dorchester Avenue for the Parkway Old Harbor. He stated his views of the value of the land taken substantially as given in the report of the last meeting.

The Commissioners replied that an offer of one thousand dollars with the usual deed providing restrictions and no betterments could be accepted.

Mr. Mc. Eachran came before the Board and accepted the offer of twenty cents per foot for the lower lot on Mt. Vernon street made by the Board at its meeting of March 27th and it was

Resolved, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed

April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whom of two certain parcels of land on Mt. Vernon street belonged to Aeneas Mc. Eachran as appears by said act there to be awarded and paid to the said Aeneas Mc. Eachran the sum of nine hundred dollars upon his proving title to the most easterly parcel, containing forty-five hundred square feet, and upon his giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Hullard had completed a deed for the one third interest of

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Mrs. Bullard in the parcels of land belonging to the City of Boston $\frac{2}{3}$ and the Heirs of Henry P. Pinney $\frac{1}{3}$ the latter interest being devised to Josephine H. Bullard, all the heirs joining in the release.

It was thereupon Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near Muddy River, so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Roxbury belonging to several persons or parties whereof two certain parcels of land belonged to the City of Boston $\frac{2}{3}$ and the Heirs of Henry P. Pinney $\frac{1}{3}$ as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Josephine H. Bullard, devisee under the Will of said Henry P. Pinney, the sum of One hundred and forty-two & $\frac{33}{100}$ dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Mr. H. Coolidge representing the estate of Azariah S. Tripp Executor came before the Board in reference to damages on account of land taken for the Parkway Old Harbor and after conferring with the Board he agreed to accept eleven cents per foot for the lot of land on Mt. Vernon street and twenty five cents per foot for the part of the corner lot on Buttonwood and Shelburne streets which has been taken the City to assume the betterments on the remaining land. He also agreed to put restrictions on the remaining land abutting on the Parkway.

It was thereupon Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and

laid out in the city of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof two certain parcels of land on Mt. Vernon and Shelburne streets were supposed to belong to Azariah S. Tripp, Executor, as appears by said act, then be awarded and paid to Elizabeth G. Tripp, sole surviving Executrix of the Will of Phillip J. Tripp the sum of Fourteen hundred and six $\frac{2}{100}$ dollars upon her proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A letter was received from Professor Sargent, director of the Arnold Arboretum calling attention to the fact that the danger of fires in the Arboretum is greater at this time of the year than at other seasons and requesting that an additional policeman be detailed to patrol the Arboretum, and it was

Voted, that an additional policeman be detailed at the Arboretum during the season in which there is a liability of dangerous fires occurring.

Voted, that the Secretary address a letter to the Water-Board quoting Professor Sargent's letter and saying that it is important that the hydrants requested by the Board be put in immediately.

Messrs Watson and Adams, President and Treasurer of the East Boston Company, came before the Board in reference to the proposed bridging of Prescott Street over the Boston Revere Beach & Lynn Railroad to Wood Island Park. Mr. Watson stated

April 10. that they desired to have Prescott and adjoining
1893. streets accepted by the Board of Street Commissioners
and that this could not be done until the Park
Commissioners had defined their plans for the proposed
crossing. After discussing the plans for bridging
the railroad at this point it was

Voted, that ^{the} Landscape Architects be requested to modify
the plan of Wood Island Park so as to bring the
grade at the Prescott street Bridge to 38, also that
a plan of this section of the Park be sent to the
Street Commissioners with a statement of what grade
is projected and that the ultimate plan is to provide
a bridge at this crossing.

Mr. Nichols came before the Board in regard to his
application for the privilege of keeping boats for hire at
Jamaica Pond.

Mr. Olmsted presented a grading plan for land
adjoining Sigourney street dated March 27, 1893,
which was approved and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be requested in
the course of his operations on Franklin Park
during the season to carry out said plan.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be authorized
to purchase trees and shrubs for the Parkway
Muddy River to an amount not exceeding
four hundred dollars.

Voted, that work be prosecuted on Seaver street
from Blue Hill Avenue westward at an expense
not to exceed ten thousand dollars.

The Chairman stated that Mr. Adams offers to settle
for the land on Jamaica Pond taken from Ella L.
Adams for fifty cents per foot, and it was
Voted, that the offer be declined.

Geo. F. Larlee,
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Boston April 24. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present mess. Livermore, Walter and Kendrick also present mess. E. W. Howe, and J. C. Amsted.

The record of the last meeting was read & approved.

The following proposals for furnishing sixty thousand granite paving blocks for Marine Park were received and publicly opened and read.

Perkins and White . . . \$ 41.25 per thousand

S. & R. J. Lombard . . . 43.50 " "

Quincy Paving & Edgestone Co. . . 44.50 " "

The contract was awarded to Perkins & White, and the amount of bond fixed at eight hundred dollars.

Lieut Lyon of the garrison at Fort Warren came before the Board in regard to the authority given to it by the Board to take material from the three officers' quarters at Castle Island which it is intended to remove. The Quartermaster's Department has taken material from the three cottages and desires to select further material as the removal of the Cottages proceeds, but does not want to bear the expense of taking them down.

Mr. Howe stated that it would be difficult to get any body to take the cottages down for what is left after the valuable material is taken. After discussion the matter was left to Mr. Howe's discretion as to the manner of their removal.

Councillor Donovan came before the Board in reference to the application of Mr. P. Corrigan for permission to keep boats for hire at Castle Island. The Commissioners said that there was no convenient place for carrying on such a business at present, and that they would take the matter under consideration.

Mess. Gerard C. Tobey and H. W. Pearce came before the Board in regard to their damages

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for the taking of four parcels of land and flats for the Parkway, Old Harbor. Mr. Tobey said that the Commissioners estimated the land at one cent per foot or $\frac{1}{5}$ ct. of what it cost them. He also said that they had also expended about sixteen hundred dollars on the tenement houses which would be destroyed if the Parkway was carried over the railroad as the taking contemplated.

After some discussion they agreed to accept fifteen hundred dollars for all damages, and give the usual deed placing restrictions on their remaining land, the City to assume the betterments. The offer was taken under advisement and subsequently it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near Old Harbor, so called; in that part of the City of Boston, which was formerly Dorchester, belonging to several persons or parties whereof four certain parcels of land and flats were supposed to belong to Owen Pearce and Gerard C. Tobey, as appears by said act, then be awarded and paid to Amanda A. Pearce and Gerard C. Tobey the sum of fifteen hundred dollars upon their bringing title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the Appropriation for Public Parks.

Colonel C. D. Fox came before the Board and said that George S. Cushing and others would accept the

award for their interest in the two parcels of flats taken for the Parkway, Old Harbor, and give the usual deed providing for restrictions and no betterments on their remaining land. It was thereupon voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29. 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land and flats in or near Old Harbor, so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Dorchester, whereof two certain parcels of land or flats were supposed to belong to George D. Cushing, and George W. Smith, as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to Annie Dillon Cushing, George S. Cushing, William C. Cushing, Theophilus Cushing, Emma H. Cushing and Annie W. Cushing, ^{Guardians of Edith J. Cushing,} the sum of four hundred and sixty two dollars for two undivided third parts of said land or flats upon their proving title thereto, and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A communication was received from A. C. Clark, counsel for Franklin King, accepting the award of one hundred and fifty three dollars for the taking of a parcel of flats for the Parkway, Old Harbor, under the usual terms of deed providing for restrictions and no betterments on his remaining land, and it was

April 24. 1893. Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29. 1892. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near Old Harbor, so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Dorchester, belonging to several persons or parties whereof a certain parcel of land or flats belonged to Franklin King as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Franklin King the sum of one hundred and fifty three dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Mr. Charles W. Cotting with his Counsel D. A. Dorr came before the Board in the matter of placing restrictions upon the land of Mary L. Sears and others abutting upon the Riverway. Mr. Cotting objected to the limit of height for fire story buildings at sixty feet above the edgestone or sidewalk and said that the house he occupies on Commonwealth Avenue which is five stories in height was sixty six feet to the ceiling of the upper story. After discussion it was

Voted, that the limit of height of buildings in the restrictions applicable to Parkway frontages be made seventy feet above the edgestone or sidewalk and that all parties who have placed restrictions upon their lands be notified that such a modification will be allowed.

Mr. Cotting also asked that the word "entirely" in the

-- restriction regarding using roofs for clothes dry-
 -- ing purposes be stricken out which the Board
 -- declined to do. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized and directed to have an entry made in the petition of Mary E. Sears and others against the City of Boston of no betterment, judgment for the petitioner without costs: provided that the said Mary E. Sears and others, devisees under the will of said Knysnet W. Sears, shall by a good and sufficient instrument subject their remaining land abutting upon the Park laid out by vote of April 30. 1890, to all the restrictions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, excepting that clause one of restrictions may end with the words "unless entirely screened from view from said park" and to further agree that the action of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston in pursuance of the vote passed the thirtieth day of April A. D. 1890. in taking the land and premises which had been conveyed to the said City of Boston by Knysnet W. Sears, by deed dated November 3, 1884, and recorded in Suffolk Deeds Liber 1660, folio 120, shall not be held to have been a seizure or forfeiture of the rights reserved by the said Knysnet W. Sears, in the said deed, to extend Corner Street, as called as set forth in said deed but said reservation shall be held, notwithstanding said taking of said Park Commissioners, to be still in full force and effect.

The Chairman stated that in the settlement made with Wm. H. Hart through the Law Department the understanding was that Mr. Hart would take his chances on the betterment assessments, but that no understanding was had in regard to the placing of restrictions upon the lot of land south of ninth street, having a direct frontage on the Parkway. Mr. Hart

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was willing to give the restrictions if the betterment assessment on this lot should be assumed by the City, and the settlement was carried through with that understanding. It was thereupon

Voted, that the bill for betterment assessment on a numbered one on assessment plan, South Boston, amounting to four hundred and fifty eight dollars and assessed to William M. Hart be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessment having been assumed by the City under chapter 226 of the Acts of the year 1884.

The Chairman submitted a form of vote prepared by the Law Department to carry out the agreement made by the Board in the settlement of damages in the case of the Suffolk Brewing Company, and it was

Voted, that a license be granted to the Suffolk Brewing Company to lay a pipe from its brewery through the park lands south of East Ninth street at South Boston for the purpose of procuring water for washing ice, said pipe to be laid under the direction of the officers or agents of this Board and to be removed by said Brewing Company at its own expense upon the revocation of this license.

The Chairman stated that Mr. R. M. Morie acting for Reuben Marsh had accepted the offer of forty five hundred dollars and the right to remove the house which had been made by the Board at its meeting April 3^d. and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 29. 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on or near Jamaica Pond, belonging to several persons and parties whom a certain parcel of land belonged to Reuben Marsh, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Reuben Marsh the sum of forty five hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto,

and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment ^{said sum} to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that in addition to the above award Reuben Marsh be permitted to remove the house.

A communication was received from H. P. Sargent Jr. and Lucius W. Sargent in regard to awarding damages for the taking of their land on Seaver street and the matter was referred to the Chairman for reply.

The following was received.

" Boston, April 17th 1893.

" Park Commissioners, City of Boston,

" Gentlemen.

" For the safety of the Fire Alarm Wires I find that it is necessary to guy three poles on Canterbury Street between Austin and Autumn Sts.

" If with your permission I should like to anchor one near the wall or fence, and from the other two, run guy wires to trees standing in the Park.

" Trusting this will meet with your approval,

" I am, Yours Truly, D. J. Sanders

Inspector of Wires."

and it was

Voted, that the request be not granted.

Mr. Elmsted submitted a report on the laying out of a park on Parker Hill and a report thereon was prepared to be submitted to the Board of Aldermen at its next meeting.

A communication was received from H. J. Smith petitioning in behalf of several persons for the privilege of fishing in Jamaica Pond and it was Voted, that the ordinances or rules for the use and government of the public parks, adopted Augt. 20, 1886, and amended May 27, 1892, and June 23, 1892, be hereby further amended so far

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as they relate to Jamaica Park by omitting in rule 3 the words "or fish" also that said rules so far as they relate to the Parkway except the Back Bay Fens, be hereby further amended by the addition of the following rules with the numbers indicated.

6. To drive a horse or horses at a rate faster than eight miles an hour.

7. To ride a horse at a rate faster than ten miles an hour; to ride a cycle at a rate faster than eight miles an hour.

8. To drive or ride any animal not well broken and under perfect control of the driver.

9. To walk on the drives or rides except to cross them at the proper crossing-places.

Mr. J. H. Clausen presented an application and recommendations for the position of Superintendent of the Charlestown Gymnasium.

Capt. Robert F. Clark also came before the Board to recommend Mr. Clausen for the position.

All the applications received for the position of Superintendent of Gymnasium were referred to the Engineer in Charge to consult Dr. D. A. Sargent as to his knowledge of the qualifications of the applicants.

A communication was received from Mrs. Kate G. Wells dated April 23, in regard to the salaries paid to the Superintendent and assistants at the Women's Gymnasium, at Charlestown, and it was

Voted, to appropriate eleven hundred dollars for salaries etc. at the Women's Gymnasium and to request of the Committee of the Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Association that the gymnasium be opened May 15th.

The following was received.

"City of Boston, Police Department, April 22, 1893.
"To the Hon. Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State St.
"Gentlemen: I am directed by the Board of
"Police to inquire whether your Honorable Board

" is opposed to the licensing of places for the sale of
 " intoxicating liquor in the immediate vicinity of the
 " Public Parks. For the Board

Thomas Ryan, Clerk."

and the Chairman was authorized to reply in the affirmative.

The following was received.

" Boston, April 14th 1893.

" To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners.

" Gentlemen, I hereby respectfully request a
 " renewal of the privilege granted me last year
 " of attending the class meetings at the Arboretum
 " for the study of trees etc. instead of the usual
 " police vacation. These meetings are held

" on Wednesdays and Saturdays three hours each day,
 " and the time is less than the vacation.

" Very respectfully, W. D. Murphy.

Sgt. Park Keeper."

and it was

Voted, that the request of Sergeant Murphy be granted.

The following was received read and placed on file.

" Town of Brookline, Office of the Selectmen.

" Town Hall. April 19, 1893.

" To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners
 " of Boston, Mass. Gentlemen:

" Referring to yours
 " of the 10th inst. the Selectmen of Brookline concur
 " in the opinion therein expressed that the electric
 " wires in Brookline Avenue, where it crosses the
 " Parkway should be placed under ground.

" Very respy. Yours,

" George F. Joyce, Clerk."

A communication was received from the City Engineer enclosing a letter and bill of Bell and Macfarlane in relation to a claim against Christopher Mc. Prids on his contract for the Franklin Field drain. and the Secretary was

April 24. 1893. directed to write to Bell & Macfarlane queting the clause in the contract in relation to claims and suggesting that they file their claim with the city clerk.

A communication was received from John Cavanagh & Co. requesting the use of the old stable on Mt. Vernon street while carrying out their contract, and it was

Voted, that they be allowed to occupy the building and keep it standing until their contract is completed provided they buy the building at auction.

Voted, that the Secretary arrange with L. L. P. Storrod to sell at auction the stable on Mt. Vernon Street, and the two houses at the end of Shelburne Street, also the stables on the Spaulding, Gorham and Dickson estates the small house on the Brewer Estate and the house on the Downey estate.

The following was received:

" Boston, April 18. 1893.

" Secretary of the Park Commissioners
" of the City of Boston.

" Dear Sir: - I have conferred
" with Messrs Marshall with reference to an award
" being made for damages on account of land being
" taken on Talbot Avenue, Dorchester for a park, and I
" am authorized to say that if any request was made
" that action be suspended the same is withdrawn,
" and I shall consider it a favor if your Board will
" make an award at its early convenience and advise
" me as soon as such award and the amount thereof
" has been made.

Yours very truly,
Frank E. Dickerman.

and an award was made as follows:

Whereas by an act of this Board passed May 19. 1892. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking lands belonging to several persons and parties, whose a certain parcel of land belonged

to Cheever Newhall as appears by said act the estimated expense of taking said parcel being six hundred and thirty seven $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars and whereas said Cheever Newhall has petitioned the Board to assess and determine the damages sustained by him by the taking as aforesaid it is therefore

Voted, that the Board hereby estimates and determines all damages sustained by the owner of said parcel of land by the taking as aforesaid at the said sum of six hundred and thirty seven $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars.

A communication was received from Mess. Clapp & Glover, attorneys for Mrs. Emily E. Shepard, offering to settle her claim for damages for the taking of her land for the Parkway, Old Harbor, for thirteen hundred and fifty dollars. The offer was declined and the Secretary was directed to notify them accordingly.

A communication was received from the Jamaica Pond Ice Company requesting permission to occupy until November 1. 1894, the premises taken from said Company December 24th 1892, with the rights and privileges set forth in Chapter 371 of the Acts of 1892, authorizing said taking, and suggesting that such use and occupation be in lieu of the interest from the time of said taking to November 1st 1894 to which it may be entitled upon the amount of damages sustained by it by reason of said taking, and it was

Voted, that the privilege to occupy said premises to November 1st 1894, is conceded on condition that interest be waived from the date of taking to Novr. 1st 1894. upon the amount of damages recovered.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for grading the Parkway between Willow Pond Road and Perkins Street which was considered and it was

Voted, that the plan of the Parkway from Willow Pond Road to Perkins Street presented this day by Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, is approved

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as to that portion between the Willow Pond Road and the wooded knoll, abutting Ward's Pond on the north, at the line marked "limits of portion approved April 24, 1893," and that the construction of the portion approved shall proceed under the contract with Moulton and O'Mahoney.

Voted, ^{that} Charles H. Nichols be licensed to keep boats for hire at the north end of Jamaica Pond during the season of 1893, the site to be designated by the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that William H. Young be licensed to keep boats for hire at the south end of Jamaica Pond during the season of 1893, the site to be designated by the Engineer in Charge.

An application from Charles J. Jacobs to keep a boat at Jamaica Pond was referred to Sergeant of Park Police for report.

Voted, that George F. Doyle be granted the privilege of operating a caroussel or merry-go-round at Castle Island during the season of 1893, the site to be designated by the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that Charles Ludwig Braun be granted the privilege of operating a caroussel or Merry-go-round at Franklin Park during the season of 1893, the site to be designated by the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that a requisition be made on the Civil Service Commissions for the certification of the name of James Riley for appointment as a Park Police Officer in place of Officer Benj. O. Low, resigned.

Voted, that Julia F. Murphy be appointed Matron at Marine Park Refectory in place of Mrs. Tennihan resigned.

Voted, that advanced sheets and maps of the Annual report be supplied to such daily papers as apply for them.

Voted, that Messrs. Olmsted be authorized to confer with Messrs. Sturgis and Cabot and employ them

to design the proposed building for Wood Island Park.

A communication was received from George S. Howe John P. Cronin and others stating that the horses that W. L. O'Connell and Robert Danett had sent to the park, under numbers 16 and 23, drawn by them, belonged to Pierce F. Lonergan and that O'Connell had gone west and that neither he nor Danett were in the teaming business.

Mr. J. P. Cronin and others also came before the Board and re-affirmed the statements made in the communication. Mr. P. F. Lonergan also being present, stated that he had been in partnership with Mr. O'Connell, but that he is not now in business with him and that the horses are not his, but that Mr. O'Connell bought the team from a New Hampshire man. Mr. Lonergan further said that two brothers are authorized to do business for Mr. O'Connell. Mr. Lonergan also said that Mr. Danett had bought the team from him several months ago and that he had been keeping it. The matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge. Mr. Lonergan asked that he be paid five hundred dollars of the reserve under his contract for building a drain in the Arborway.

The Commissioners replied that they would confer with Mr. Jackson in regard to the matter.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston, May 1st 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 1 P.M.

Present Messrs. Walker, Kendriken and Sprague,
Also present Mayor Matthews, Col. Livermore, and
Messrs. Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

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The record of the last meeting was read and approved. A certificate of the appointment and confirmation of Francis A. Walker, and Charles S. Sprague as members of the Board for terms ending respectively April 30, 1896 and April 30, 1895, was received and placed on file.

The Mayor conferred with the Board in regard to the work to be done on the parks during the season.

The Mayor also suggested that steps be taken to secure the use of the Franklin Fund for the improvement of Franklin Park. The Secretary was directed to write the Corporation Counsel and call his attention to the recent decision in Philadelphia in the matter of the Franklin Fund and ask him if any measures can be taken by the Law Department to secure the use of the fund by the City at an early day and what action will be required to be taken in order to devote so much of said fund as is available for use in "public work" towards the completion of Franklin Park, and that the Board would be glad to have him do any thing that will forward the matter.

The Mayor also referred to the matter of lighting the Fane, about which a letter had been addressed to him by the Board, March 14, 1893, suggesting that it be undertaken by the Lamp Department in view of the fact that the appropriation for maintenance is not sufficient to do the lighting. The Mayor said that the cost of installing the lights and perhaps for maintaining them this year might properly be charged to construction.

Mr. Livermore called the attention of the Board to a recommendation of the Law Department that a settlement be made with the Pelloni's Heirs by awarding damages to them in the sum of eleven thousand dollars notwithstanding the lease to the two Italians of one half of the estate. Mr. Livermore said that Mr. Babson, Corporation Counsel, had come down to propose that this settlement be made at the meeting called for April 17, which was adjourned for lack of a quorum.

It was thereupon.

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 30, 1890, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land and flats belonged to the heirs or devisees of A. F. Bellows, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Albert E. Leach, Howard S. Bellows and Candace J. Bellows the sum of eleven thousand dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of public park deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Mr. Weis came before the Board in regard to the matter of the stone wall in front of the estate of the Heirs of Richard Clapp. The matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with Mr. Weis on the ground.

Mr. Jackson reported against the proposition of Mr. J. F. Lonergan that he be paid five hundred dollars of the reserve held under his contract for building a drain in the Parkway, and it was Voted, that Mr. Lonergan's request ^{for} the payment of said amount be refused.

Mr. Jackson submitted a plan of proposed foundations for the Navagut statue to be erected at Marine Park and it was

Voted, to adopt the plan, the Engineer to grade the grounds.

Mr. Howe reported that Mr. H. L. McConnell, who

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had been charged at the last meeting by Mr. Cronin and others as not owning any team, was taxed for one thousand dollars personal property and that Robert Barrett's name was not on the assessor's books.

The applications and recommendations of James Walsh and William H. Lyon for appointment as superintendent of Charlesbank Gymnasium were received and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

The applications of the Jamaica Boat Club and others to keep boats at Jamaica Pond were received and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge and Landscape Architects to formulate such rules as they may deem to be necessary to provide for the keeping of private boats at Jamaica Pond.

Voted, that the Prescott house on Pond street be included in the sale of buildings on the Parkway to be removed.

The following was received:

" Arnold Arboretum, Harvard University.

" Jamaica Plain, Mass. April 28, 1893.

" Dear Sir: I should be glad to make an
" arrangement to obtain from the surface of the parkway
" now in process of construction along the eastern boundary
" of the Arboretum a quantity of loam to complete the grading
" about the Arboretum Museum building; and I have sug-
" gested to your engineer that if I could obtain your authority
" to do this I would return an equal amount of gravel or
" its equivalent in money, provided there should prove to
" be no surplus of material on that part of the parkway
" which borders the Arboretum. If such a proposition is
" entertained favorably by you I should be glad to begin
" taking the loam in the course of the next two weeks.

Yours faithfully, C. S. Sargent.

" Board of Park Comrs Boston Mass. "

and it was

Voted, that authority be given as requested to be exercised under the direction of the Engineer in Charge.

A communication was received from William Jacobs in regard to taking the stone thresholds with the

barn purchased by him from Mr. Rueter, and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge with authority to sell the stone.

A communication was received from Willard Rice in regard to removing the high fence used as a bill board on Alford Street at the Charleston Playground and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to examine and report upon it.

A communication was received from Edward W. Bates complaining of the obstruction to travel on Weld Park by the contractor building the drain at the Arboretum, and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to see that a proper way is kept open.

The following were received read and placed on file.

" City of Boston, City Hall, April 26. 1893.

" Mr. Jackson Esq.

" City Engineer. Dear Sir:

" Pell & Macfarlane

" have this day filed in this office statement of
" claim for work done for Christopher Mc Bride
" contractor with Park Commissioners for culvert
" drain or sewer in Franklin Field said claim
" amounting to \$34.16

" Attest: J. T. Priest. Asst. City Clerk."

" City of Boston, In Common Council Apl. 13. 1893.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners
" be and they are hereby requested to consider the
" expediency of enlarging and providing more
" adequate facilities for dressing-room purposes at
" Charlesbank Gymnasium, and, in the construction of
" the same, to utilize the room on the ground floor
" on the easterly side of the present building, at
" present used for the storage of tools, etc.

" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen
" April 17, concurred. The foregoing order was presented
" to the Mayor April 18, 1893, and was not returned
" by him within ten days thereafter. A true copy.

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" Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."
" City of Boston, In Common Council, April 13, 1893.
" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners be
" requested to allow C. F. Glynn to locate and operate a
" "merry-go-round" on Castle Island during the summer season.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" April 17, concurred. The foregoing order was presented
" to the Mayor April 18, 1893. and was not returned by him
" within ten days thereafter. True copy.

" Attest. John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."
and the Secretary was directed to write to the Assistant City Clerk that previous to receiving the latter order the Board had made arrangements with another party for the placing of a merry-go-round on Castle Island.
A protest was received from Robert W. Morse against the proposed erection and maintenance of a public bath house in Jamaica Pond which was read and placed on file.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Geo. S. Curtis had requested leave to take the wall on Perkins street adjoining the land taken from him and replace it along his land fronting the Parkway at the corner of Perkins street. The matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge.

Plans specifications and estimates for building two cottages at Schoolmaster Hill and Ellicottdale, Franklin Park, were received from Potch & Tilden, and it was Voted, that the Architects be requested to prepare a form of contract and advertise for proposals for erecting the Ellicottdale building with unglazed tiles for roof covering.

The Landscape Architects submitted plans for grading Beaver street from Blue Hill Avenue to Walnut Avenue dated April 20, 1893.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to make the pay of Transientsmen \$ 3.75 per day. Levellers \$3.00 per day and Rodmen \$ 2.50 per day, and increase the pay of J. B. Shea, Clerk from \$ 2.50 to \$ 3.00 per day, and Peter Mc. Manus, gardener from \$ 2.25 to \$ 2.50 per day.

Geo. F. Clarke, Sec'y.

Boston, May 8, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present messrs Walker, Kendrick, and Sprague.
Also present messrs E. H. Stone, and J. C. Shmied.

Mr. Walker, Chairman pro tem, called the meeting to order and asked what action the Board would take on the question of re-organization. He stated in answer to Mr. Kendrick that he could not accept the Chairmanship owing to his other engagements.

The Board re-organized by the choice of Paul H. Kendrick as Chairman.

Charles F. Sprague, Chairman, pro tem, and George F. Clarke, Secretary for the ensuing year.
Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to approve drafts and bills.

Voted, that the Chairman pro tem, be authorized to approve drafts and bills in the absence of the Chairman.

Voted, that in the absence of the Chairman and Chairman pro tem, Mr. Walker be Chairman pro tem, and be authorized to approve drafts and bills.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Voted, that the Secretary prepare an order of business for the meetings of the Board.

The following bids for 3600 cubic yards of broken stone for Marine Park were received and publicly opened and read.

Matthew E. Nacon.	2.95 per cubic yard.
Mass. Broken Stone Co.	2.50 " " "
Perkins & White.	2.33 " " "

The contract was awarded to Perkins & White, and the amount of bond fixed at eight hundred dollars.

Mr. L. J. Sullivan representing Mr. Robert Turner came before the Board in the matter of his damages

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for the taking of land for Franklin Field.

The Commissioners stated that the house will have to be removed and suggested that Mr. Sumner obtain an estimate of the cost of such removal before discussing the question of damages.

Mr. J. W. Beal Architect for Mr. Ruster presented plans of Mr. Ruster's proposed stable and said that if the Commissioners would bear half the expense of a bank wall, Mr. Ruster would set back the stable from five to seven feet from Parkway line and plant the area between the wall and stable, otherwise Mr. Ruster would build his foundations on the Parkway line, without the set back, and save the cost of the bank wall. The plans were referred to Mr. Olmsted for examination and report.

Mr. Thomas W. Carter came before the Board in the matter of his damages for the taking of land and buildings on May street for the Parkway. Mr. Carter said that he had expended a large amount on the barn and out buildings and said that he would be satisfied with two thirds of what new buildings would cost and ~~two~~ cents per foot for the land. The Commissioners agreed to have the buildings examined.

Mr. Mulvey, Pres. Roman Catholic Cemetery Association and Surveyor H. H. Moses came before the Board in the matter of damages for the taking of the Cemetery's land for Franklin Field. Mr. Moses stated that the area found by the City's Surveyor was about six thousand feet short of that given on the old plans. He said that the monuments were indefinite but he found no error in Mr. Carter's survey. The Chairman stated that he had agreed with Mr. Livermore to suggest two thousand dollars as a basis of settlement. Mr. Mulvey replied that such an amount would be entirely inadequate as the Cemetery besides parting with its land would be at the expense of building a wall and fence which would cost more than that amount.

The Commissioners suggested that the Directors of the Cemetery submit an offer.

Mr. J. F. Cronan, representing P. F. Mc. Donald came before the Board in regard to damages for the taking of his land for Franklin Field. He said that about one hundred thousand feet of the area was wet land, the balance being good building land. The land cost more than twenty thousand dollars when taken and Mr. Mc. Donald was offered seven and one half cents per foot a year before the taking. He said that they could settle for twenty five thousand dollars and interest from the time of taking, the taxes for 1892 and two hundred and fifty dollars for legal expenses.

Mr. John J. Quigley presented an application for permission to land passengers from steam launches at the wharf at Castle Island and asked the privilege of erecting a drop landing for that purpose. He said that Lieut. Col. Mansfield had waived his rights in regard to the matter of using the wharf and said that it was in the hands of the Commissioners. It was thereupon

Voted, that John J. Quigley be authorized to build a temporary supplementary drop ^{for} landing purposes on the south east side of the wharf at Castle Island and to use the same for landing passengers during the season of 1893.

Mr. George A. Young came before the Board in the matter of his application to keep boats for hire on Leverett pond and the application was refused on the ground that no boating is to be permitted on Leverett Pond.

The following were received and referred to Mr. Olmsted to examine the plan of the proposed change in Commonwealth Avenue and take such action as may be necessary for the removal of the trees.

" Office of the Mayor, City Hall.

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" To the Board of Park Commissioners:

" Gentlemen: - I write to call your attention

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" to the enclosed communication from the Superintendent of
" Streets. At the time the recent takings of land
" at the junction of Beacon street and Commonwealth
" avenue were made, it was arranged to relocate the
" grass plots. The trouble with the present plan is
" that the travel down Commonwealth avenue is crowded
" over to the Beacon street side and becomes mixed up
" with the electric railway system, the street being as at
" present laid out too narrow for teams and electric cars,
" both. It is now proposed to change the grass plots
" to the north, running the main part of Commonwealth
" avenue down on the southerly side. This will allow
" Commonwealth avenue to cross Beacon street at a point
" where there will be a great deal more width than
" under the present arrangement. I write to call
" your attention to the matter and to suggest speedy action
" in the premises, so that the work can be done this spring.
" The cost can be defrayed from the appropriation for
" Commonwealth avenue. Yours very truly,

N. Matthews Jr.

Boston, May 2, 1893.

Mr. N. Matthews Jr. Mayor,

" Dear Sir:- In regard to the proposed
" change on Commonwealth Avenue from Charles Gate West
" to Beacon Street, it is found that the Park Commissioners
" have control of the plantations which were placed under
" their care by the Board of Aldermen March 5th 1888,
" and approved by the Common Council March 15th
" 1888, as recorded in the Minutes of that year. All
" work on the plantations and care of the same has
" accordingly been done by the Park Commissioners.

" Before this department can proceed with the proposed
" changes some arrangements will have to be made
" with the Park Commissioners as to what shall be done
" with the plantations above referred to.

" Yours truly, H. H. Carter, Superintendent of Streets."

The following was received.

" Street Department, Boston, April 26, 1893.

" to the Hon. Park Commissioners, Boston, Mass.

" Gentlemen:-

" I desire to call your attention
" to the fact that in consequence of the operations of
" your Department a natural water course which formerly
" took the flow from catch basins at the corner of Orchard
" and Centre Streets has now been obliterated.

" I respectfully claim that it is incumbent on your
" Department either to replace this water course by a
" pipe of sufficient size connecting with the main
" brook channel, or else lay a pipe in Centre Street from
" the 4'-6" brick surface to the same point to supply
" the place of the water course. Also, at the old brook
" culvert across Centre Street near May Street there are
" two drop inlets taking street water; either the storm
" Culvert should be preserved from this point down to
" the main brook channel, or a pipe laid in Centre Street
" to carry the flow from these drop inlets to the same
" 4'-6" surface drain where you have now located it.

" Yours truly, H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets."

and the Secretary was directed to reply that
the first named drain delivered upon private
property, and that the Board does not propose
to change the old brook culvert, but to connect
it with the new drain.

Sergeant W. A. Dennis came before the Board
to ask for an increase in the number of Police
especially for Sundays and holidays and suggested
that men on the waiting list for appointment
might be willing to take such service. He also
said that owing to the appointment of J. H. Brady
on the auxiliary force he was short one man for
evening duty which was formerly done by Officer
Brady.

It was thereupon

Voted, to establish a reserve force of Park Police
to be called for duty on Sundays and holidays
and from which force promotions to the auxiliary
and regular police will be made.

Voted, that the Secretary make a requisition on the

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Civil Service Commissioners for the certification of the name of George A. Durgin for appointment as a park police officer.

Voted, that John F. Norcott be permitted to occupy the Long House on Seaver street free of rent until ^{notified to vacate.}

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to appoint W. E. Fischer as a gardener at a salary of \$2.00 per day.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to appoint James Mc. Glue as janitor of the new administration building.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge prepare an estimate of cost for conveying water from Jamaica Pond to the ponds in Franklin Park.

Voted, that the pay of Herbert Ogden Clerk be increased from ten to twelve dollars per week to take effect May 1st.

Voted, that the grading plan for widening Seaver street from Blue Hill Avenue to Walnut Avenue made by Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot, and dated April 25, 1893, be adopted.

Mr. Olmsted submitted the following form for license for boats on Jamaica Pond to be obtained from the Sergeant of Police.

No sail boat, over sixteen feet in length.

No flat boat, catamaran or raft shall be licensed.

No boat shall be anchored or moored over one hundred feet from shore.

All boats shall be placed in charge of the public boatmen, or a boatman regularly employed by a duly licensed club.

No license for a boat shall be granted to the proprietor of any hotel, lodging house or saloon, and no boat except those of the public boatmen shall be let or leased.

No license shall be granted for any boat which shall not in the opinion of the Sergeant of Police be safe, fit and good looking.

This license shall be revokable at the pleasure of the Sergeant of Police, and recommended the adoption of a rule requiring boats to be kept under the terms of such license. It was thereupon

Voted, that the ordinances or rules for the use and government of the public parks, adopted August 20, 1886 and amended May 27, 1892, June 22, 1892, and April 24, 1893, be hereby further amended, so far as they relate to Jamaica Park by inserting in rule 3 after the word "bathe" the words "to keep a boat without special license from the Sergeant of Police."

The following was received:

City Hall, May 5, 1893.

To the Board of Park Commissioners.

Gentlemen:- I am instructed by the Special Committee of the City Council on Laborers' Day, to apply to you for a statement giving the number of laborers employed in your department, who at present receive less wages than \$2.10 per day, and also the number of teamsters who receive less than \$2.25 per day; also an estimate of the amount that would be annually required to pay such laborers and teamsters the amounts per day above specified, as provided in the report of the said committee to the City Council on April 24, 1893.

An early reply will oblige the Committee.

Very respectfully, James L. Hillard.
Clerk of Committee.

and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to report the number of men that are subject to the inquiry.

A communication was received from the Little Sisters of the Poor requesting permission to go to the Parks on pay day to receive the offerings of the workmen, action upon which was deferred.

The following was received:

Office of Civil Service Commission, 5 Pemberton Square

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" Boston May 6, 1893.

" To Geo. F. Clarke, Esq., Secy. Park Commissioners.

" In compliance with your requisition, dated April.
" 24, 1893, I hereby certify to you James Riley of
" Boston, Mass. an honorably discharged veteran of
" the war of the rebellion, for appointment as park police-
" man in the Park Department, he having complied
" with all the requirements of the law.

" Please make return of his appointment on the inclosed
" blank.

Yours respectfully,

Harmon P. Dudley, Secretary."

and it was

Voted, that James Riley be appointed a park police
officer in place of officer Benj. O. Low, resigned.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, May 15, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners
was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess. Kendrick, Walker and Sprague, also
present Mess. Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Alderman Flood came before the Board to urge
the reinstatement of John J. Sullivan as a watchman
and special police officer.

Mr. Charles T. Gallagher came before the Board
and submitted some figures as to the value of the
Burnham Wharf property which he had found
among Mr. Burnham's papers. These figures he
claimed substantiated his estimate of one hundred
and twenty five thousand dollars as the value of
what would be destroyed by the taking of the flats
and the closing of the Channel. Mr. Gallagher
said that the plan to cut off direct access to the sea
by a causeway and drawbridge operated unfavorably

to the utilization of the property for other purposes and in the interest of the Estate he should prefer a settlement providing for the closing of the channel entirely.

The Commissioners agreed to have the Law Department examine the question as to whether other rights could be affected by the closing of the channel.

Assistant City Solicitor Proctor came before the Board and stated that Mr. Storey would not accept the offer of seventeen thousand five hundred dollars made by the Board in the Turner case unless interest were added from January 1, 1891, the time that the offer to settle for that amount was made by Mrs. Palmer. This would amount to twenty thousand dollars, and included agreements for no betterment and restrictions on the remaining land. Mr. Proctor recommended that a settlement be made for that amount, and it was Voted, that the offer be accepted.

Col. Bogan and W. L. Chase came before the Board to ask if a rifle range would be allowed to be established on Franklin Park or Franklin Field. The Commissioners replied that they would not entertain the proposition in regard to Franklin Park, and, it appearing that the extent of Franklin Field did not afford sufficient range for the purpose, the representatives of the Militia withdrew.

Mr. H. H. Rueter and J. H. Peal came before the Board in regard to the proposition which was submitted to the Board by Mr. Peal at the last meeting in regard to the City's joining in the expense of a bank-wall on Mr. Rueter's land in the event of his building his stable back from the Parkway line. Mr. Rueter said that he would give restrictions on his land with the temporary exception of the stable, and set back his stable from five to seven feet if the Commissioners

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would build a rubble wall with granite coping. The Commissioners took the matter under consideration.

Mr. Perkins came before the Board and requested the payment of twenty thousand dollars of the reserve held under his contract for filling at Marino Park the work being nearly finished. He said that there would still be twenty four hundred dollars reserved which was more than enough to complete the work, and asked that he be relieved of the trouble of getting his bondsmen to approve the payment. Mr. Jackson stated that the work was practically finished as only about one thousand dollars worth of trimming up required to be done, and it was Voted, that Messrs. Perkins and White be paid twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000) of the amount reserved under their contract, dated September 10, 1890, and modified April 1, 1892, and that the consent of the bondsmen on said contract be waived in making said payment.

Mr. Charles A. Lambert came before the Board to ask permission to fix up the tennis court on the Rueter land, and it was

Voted, that Charles A. Lambert be authorized to lay out and maintain a tennis court on the Rueter land in the Parkway but without exclusive privileges as to playing tennis thereon.

Mr. L. Howard Walker conferred with the Board in regard to the plans for the proposed building to be erected at Charlestown Heights. Mr. Walker said the estimates on the original plans amounted to sixteen thousand dollars without plumbing. He had obtained estimates in order to see how this could be reduced, with the following result. By cutting out the stone piers and posts about seven or eight hundred dollars could be saved; by cutting off the second story thirty five hundred dollars would be saved; by cutting off the overhang twenty five

hundred dollars would be saved, and by cutting out all stone work it would reduce the estimates to twelve thousand dollars as it stands.

The matter was laid over in view of a proposition said to be on foot for the enlargement of the park. Mr. Jackson stated that the work being done by Pierce F. Lonergan under his contracts was not being prosecuted with diligence, and the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Lonergan to appear before the Board and show cause why he should not be notified to discontinue work under article K of his contracts for excavating a drainage ditch at Franklin Field and for building a drain on the Parkway between Pond Street and Arnold Monument, and the Commissioners' Contract with other parties for the completion of the work.

Voted, that the Secretary request propositions from the Boston Electric Light Company and the Brookline Gas Light Company to erect and maintain for five years fifty arc lights in the Back Bay Fens.

The question of insurance on the administration Building in the Parkway was left with the Chairman, and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to procure the furniture necessary for the administration building and obtain estimates for lighting the same.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to light Charlesbank Gymnasium and Castle Island bridge and arrange for incandescent lights under the bridge shelter.

Voted, that John J. Pentross laborer be rated as a rigger at two dollars & twenty five cents per day.

Mr. Howe reported that Dr. Sargent recommends the appointment of John W. Fowler as Superintendent of the Charlesbank Gymnasium, and the matter was referred to Mr. Howe to look up the qualifications

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of other applicants not already considered.

Mr. Howe reported that the expense of filling the land of the heirs of Richard Clapp would about equal the value of the wall to be surrendered by them to the City, and it was Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to fill the land of the heirs of Richard Clapp in exchange for the wall.

Mr. Howe reported that the laying of drains through the Parkway from the Stevenson lots would be of very little value as the water level in the Parkway is too high to allow the water to be drawn off, and that filling the lands partially would have to be done in any event.

It was there upon Voted, that the authority to lay a drain from the lot of land west of Brookline Avenue be revoked, and that communications in regard to the report of the Engineer be sent to the Board of Health and James Stevenson, and that the latter be notified that if he desires to fill his lands that he should immediately make arrangements as the railroad tracks are shortly to be removed.

The Engineer in Charge was directed to see what arrangements can be made to retain the services of the Engineer of the pumping station.

Mr. Howe reported that he saw no objection to Mr. Curtis' removing the wall from Perkins Street to the new line of his land on the Parkway, and it was Voted, that Mr. Curtis' request be granted the work to be done under the direction of the Engineer in Charge.

Mr. Olmsted reported upon the expense of the World's Fair Exhibit, and it was Voted, that the Landscape Architects be authorized to exceed the appropriation already authorized for the World's Fair Exhibit to a total amount not exceeding eleven hundred and seventy five dollars.

The following was received:

" Street Department, City Hall, Boston, May 10, 1893.

" Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State Street
 " Gentlemen: Work on the reconstruction of Common-
 " wealth Avenue, in the vicinity of the Cross Roads, has
 " been suspended, as this Department is informed
 " that the Park Department has control over the
 " planting spaces; and that the proposed change in
 " the road cannot be made without their consent. Will
 " you be kind enough to let me know whether or not
 " your board consents to the proposed change in the
 " location of this avenue, as we are anxious to proceed
 " with the work. Yours truly, H. B. Carter,
 " Supt. of Streets."

In connection with which Mr. Olmsted submitted
 a plan for laying out the Avenue between Charlesgate
 East and Beacon Street, and it was
 Voted, that the plan presented this day by Messrs
 Olmsted, Olmsted & Eliot be recommended to
 the Mayor and Superintendent of Streets.

The Chairman was requested to call upon the Mayor
 with Mr. Olmsted in reference to the carrying out
 of said plan.

A communication was received from Charles F. Dodge
 offering to sell five or six hundred paving blocks.
 Mr. Howe reported that they were poor quality and
 the offer was declined.

A communication was received from J. W. Pope, agent
 for Mr. J. C. Haynes requesting permission to fill
 his land adjoining Back Bay Fens by carting gravel
 through the Fens, and it was

Voted, that permission be given to J. C. Haynes to
 fill his vacant land adjoining ^{the Back Bay Fens,} provided that
 he suitably protect the curb and sidewalk by
 covering them with planking and repair any
 damage done in consequence of said work and
 give a bond of indemnity against damages in
 the usual form.

The following was received:

" To the Board of Park Commissioners of the City

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" of Boston, Gentlemen: The Trustees of the
" Dana Lands desire to know if there is any objection
" on the part of your Board to their filling in
" Boulton Road, Back Bay Fens, the portion of
" their property abutting thereon.

" Respectfully, Arthur P. Dana, Clerk of the Trustees.
" Boston May 8. 1893. 941 Exchange Bldg."

and the Secretary was directed to inquire the time
required and the material to be used in doing
said filling.

The following were received and referred to the
Chairman for reply.

" Clerk of Committees Department.

" City of Boston. City Hall May 9. 1893.

" Referred to the Board of Park Commissioners for a
" report as to expediency of adopting the orders.

" By vote of the Com. on Park Dept.

" James L. Willard, Clerk of Committees.

" City of Boston. In Board of Aldermen.

April 24. 1893.

" Ordered: that the Board of Park Commissioners be
" requested to provide a suitable gymnasium in Wood
" Island Park, East Boston.

" (Endorsement) City of Boston, In Board of Alder-
" men April 24. 1893. Referred to Committee on Park
" Department. J. M. Galvin, City Clerk.

" City of Boston, In Common Council

March 23. 1893.

" Ordered. That the Park Commissioners begin the
" building of the proposed Gymnasium on the park
" property in Ward 4.

" (Endorsement) City of Boston, In Common Council.

" March 23. 1893. Referred to Committee on Park Department

" Joseph O'Hane Clerk of the Common Council.

The following was received

" Office of the Mayor, City Hall, May 13. 1893.
" To the Board of Park Commissioners.

" Gentlemen: I enclose a remonstrance against

" the custom of firing salutes on the Common, etc.
 " His Honor the Mayor would be obliged to you if you
 " could let him know if it would not be possible to use
 " Franklin Field for this purpose.

" Please return remonstrance with answer.

" Respectfully, Nathl. H. Taylor, Secretary."
 and the Secretary was directed to reply that in the
 opinion of the Board it is not only possible but de-
 sirable to use Franklin Field for the purpose of
 firing salutes.

The following was received

" Boston, 14 May, 1893.

" To the Honorable Park Commissioners of the

" City of Boston.

" The West End Street Railway
 " Company respectfully petitions for leave to erect
 " one of its iron poles for carrying its wires in con-
 " nection with its electric system on Huntington
 " Avenue on the Back Bay Park lands near the
 " junction of said Avenue and Parker Street as
 " shown by red dot on plan of A. L. Plympton
 " dated May 12, 1893, and filed herewith as part
 " of this petition.

" West End St. Ry Co.

" by Prentiss Cummings, Vice President."

and it was

Resolved, that the request of the West End Street Railway
 Company to erect a pole on Huntington Entrance
 of the Back Bay Fens, for carrying its wires for
 its electric system as shown on a plan of A. L.
 Plympton, Engineer, dated May 12, 1893, be granted
 on condition that the work be made satisfactory
 to the Engineer in Charge, and that the pole be
 removed upon notice from this Board.

The following was received.

" Boston, May 2, 1893.

" to the Park Commissioners, Boston.

" Dear Sirs:— In connection with the work

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" of the Fresh Air Fund, we desire to have a series of
" picnics for the poor at Franklin Park, as for several
" years past, during two weeks beginning July 11.
" If you will give permission, the favor will be
" appreciated. Respectfully. D. W. Waldron."

and it was

Voted, that D. W. Waldron be permitted to hold a series
of picnics at Franklin Park in connection with
the work of the Fresh Air Fund during two weeks
beginning July 11, and under the direction of the
Sergeant of Police.

The following was received.

" Boston, Mass. May 13, 1893.

" To the Park Commissioners of Boston.

" Gentlemen:- We respectfully make applica-
" tion to place our "Columbia" Automatic Lawn swings in
" the parks of Boston under the following condition:

" To charge the sum of five cents per person for the
" use of swing for twenty minutes time, swings to be
" in charge of a competent person employed by us, and
" no expense to the City whatever.

" Very respy, A. R. Manley Co. 22 Follen St."

and it was

Voted, that A. R. Manley Co. be granted the privilege
of operating Columbia Automatic Swings at Castle
Island during the season of 1893, the site to be
designated by the Engineer in Charge.

A communication was received from John Dixwell
M. D. in regard to auger holes in shade trees on
Boston Common and was referred to the Superintendent
of Public Grounds.

A communication was received from R. S. Parow's
requesting the sale through him of buildings and grass
on the Public parks, and the Secretary was authorized
to make arrangements for the sale of grass by Mr.
Parow's.

An application was received from James M. O'Connor
for permission to have a boat landing and livery

at Charlestown Playground.

Mr. Howe reported that the Metropolitan Sewer work interfered with the use of the sea wall for such purposes and the application was refused for lack of a suitable space.

Certificates of the eligibility of George A. Durgin and Martin Bergen for appointment on the Park Police were received from the Civil Service Commission and it was

Voted, that George A. Durgin and Martin Bergen be appointed park police officers to serve at present on the Auxiliary Police.

The City Engineer stated that it was found unnecessary to drive piles for the western abutment of Audubon Bridge and a notice to the contractors of the change of plan as required under the contract was adopted and signed by the Chairman.

The following was received and referred to mess. Voted to furnish plans and photographs of the Gymnasium.

Charlebank Gym. Charles St. Boston Mass.
To the Hon. Board of Park Commissioners.

Dear Sir: The German Turnbund Society of America are desirous of exhibiting the Charlebank Gymnasium, at the Worlds Fair, and through Mr. Eberhard of the D. A. A. have asked me if I could furnish them with a working model of the Gym. I told them that I would lay the request before your Hon. Board. If it is not convenient to grant them a working model, the next best thing would be a clear plan of the grounds and apparatus, and if granted, will be shown in the German Exhibit.

Yours respectfully, John Graham. Sec'y.
Voted, that Philip Ronca be permitted to occupy the refectory at Marine Park during the season of 1893 on the usual terms.

An application from the South Boston Canal

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Club for a location on the Strandway was received and it was

Voted, that the South Boston Canoe Club be permitted to occupy its present site as long as the work will allow and that the application for a new location be considered when the filling is done.

Mayor's Circular No. 87 was received, read and placed on file.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston, May 22, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present messrs. Hendrichsen, Walker and Sprague.

Also present Messrs. E. W. Howe and F. A. C. C. C. C.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

A conference was held with the Mayor in reference to sundry matters relating to the work on the public parks.

Alderman Flood came before the Board to urge the claims of the Mosquito Fleet Yacht Club to recognition in the matter of granting the Club a permanent location on the Strandway.

The Commissioners said that the application of the Club would be considered when the new locations for Yacht Clubs were filled and prepared for use.

Mr. Paul, architect for Mr. Ruster, came before the Board and made a proposition to set back the stable five feet further than planned or say eleven feet from the Parkway line at the nearest point, and give restrictions as proposed, if the Commissioners would bear the cost of the bank wall. Subsequently the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Ruster that the Board is not willing to pay more than one half of the cost of the wall, the plan for the same and contract

price to be first approved before the agreement to pay any part of the cost is made.

Mr. J. D. Druman, representing the Tenney Land Company, and A. L. Lurie, architect, presented a plan for a readjustment of the sidewalk and planted space in front of the new Tenney houses.

The plan was discussed, but no action was taken.

Mr. Edward W. Brewer came before the Board and presented the petition of William Ring that the Prescott house purchased by him at auction may be allowed to remain on the parkway until the progress of the work will permit its removal and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge to examine and report upon the matter.

John Martin came before the Board in regard to his claim for damages for the taking of his land for the Parkway Muddy River and offered to settle the claim for sixty three hundred dollars which offer the Board declined.

A hearing was given to Pierce F. Lonergan to show cause why he should not be notified to discontinue work under article "K" of his contract for excavating a drainage ditch at Franklin Field, and for building a drain on the Parkway between Pond street and Arnold Arboretum and the Commissioners contract with other parties for the completion of the work.

Mr. Lonergan said that owing to the severity of the winter and the great amount of water in the spring he has been unable to work at Franklin Field until lately. He claimed that men left him on account of the water. He has now thirteen men at work, and is making arrangements to get men from New York. If he fails in that attempt he would leave the matter in the hands of the Board. Mr. Lonergan said two weeks would enable him to know. In regard to the drain at the Arboretum, he said that they had been

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twice washed out and were now laying brickwork where they had the trench excavated two weeks ago. The delay in this work being due to the heavy rains. The following was received.

" City of Boston. In Common Council, May 11, 1893.
Ordered, that chapter 282 of the Acts of 1893, entitled.
" "An Act to provide for a Public Park in Wards six
and seven of the City of Boston," be and the same is
" hereby accepted by the City Council of the City of Boston.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" May 8, Concurred. Approved by the Mayor May 17, 1893.
" A true copy, Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."
and it was

Voted, to invite proposals by advertisement for the sale of wharf properties for a public park in wards six or seven, and that the Chairman and Mr. Sprague be a committee to look into the matter.

The Secretary stated that the Palmer Heirs ask that the restrictions upon their lot south of Park street be limited by excluding any land within ninety five feet of Bellevue Street and that the form of deed previously submitted to them providing for a bank wall at the City's expense be given by them, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed April 30, 1890. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons or parties whereof two certain parcels of land belonged to Mary E. Palmer as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to Mary E. Palmer and Alice W. Palmer heirs of said Mary E. Palmer the sum of Ninety thousand dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of deed for the Parkway Muddy River No. 2. including an agreement to place restrictions upon their lot of land on the south side of Park Street, similar to

those contained in said deed, excepting any land within a distance of ninety five feet from the present line of Bellevue Street, "providing, however, in both deed and agreement that clause one of restrictions may close with the words "unless entirely screened from view from said park;" also upon their giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, that the bills for betterment assessments on lots numbered 30 and 41 on assessment plan for the Parkway, Muddy River, in Roxbury amounting to five thousand eight hundred and fifty seven dollars, and assessed to Mary E. Palmer be withdrawn from the City Collector, said betterment assessments having been assumed by the City by vote of this Board under Chapter 226 of the Acts of the year 1884.

The following was received:

" City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen,
May 1, 1893.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners
" be hereby requested to grant permission to
" Thomas J. Ryan to sell refreshments on Castle
" Island, during the summer season.

" Passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 4 came
" up concurred.

" The foregoing order was presented to the Mayor
" May 6, 1893, and was not returned by him
" within ten days thereafter.

" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest.

Asst. City Clerk.

and action thereon was deferred.

The following was received:

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Boston Mass May 20th 1893
To the Honorable Board of Park Commissioners.
Gentlemen: The Mass. Division "S. A. W." League
of American Wheelmen are to hold their Spring
meet in Boston on Tuesday May 30th Decoration
Day. They are to have a parade and it is desired
to pass through the Duck Bay Park from the Westland
Avenue Entrance through the Park to the Brookline
Revenue Entrance and we ask your honorable board
for permission to do so. Hoping to have a favorable
reply I remain very truly yours H. D. Peck.
Parade starts 10 o'clock. Vice President of Mass. S. A. W.

and it was
Voted, that permission be granted as requested.
The following was received

"Boston, May 15. 1893.
To the Park Commissioners of the City of Boston.
Gentlemen: I hereby apply to your honorable
board for permission to set up and play the game
of "Lassola" in Franklin Park on May 20th and
thereafter. Very respectfully Walter Dean, 39 Union Pl.
and it was

Voted, that Walter Dean have permission to set
up and play the game of "Lassola" in Franklin
Park during the season of 1893, under the
direction of the Sergeant of Police.

A communication was received from the Home for
Aged Couples requesting permission to pasture a cow
in the lot corner of Walnut Avenue and Seaver St. and it was
Voted, that the Home for aged Couples be permitted
to pasture a cow in the lot at the northeasterly
corner of Walnut Avenue and Seaver Street until
notified otherwise.

A communication was received from James Pellet to be
restored to his former place in the Civil Service list
and was referred to the Secretary for reply.

A communication was received from Messrs. Shepley
Rutan & Coolidge in regard to the completion of

the Administration Building and its acceptance from the Contractor which was read and placed on file.

Mr. Howe reported upon the request of Dr. A. V. Coffin for payment of bill for professional services rendered to John McCormack, that somebody asked that a telephone message be sent from the Park office for a doctor, and the clerk sent the message by request. The man was overcome by heat at Franklin Park. It was Voted, to approve the bill for payment.

Mr. Howe reported upon the petition of Mrs. J. R. Collins that the surface water from Dorchester Park be drained into a new drain to be built by the Street Department to prevent its flowing on to her land. The report was placed on file, and the Secretary was directed to send a copy of the report to Mrs. Collins.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to resurface Charlesgate Bridge.

Mr. Aeneas Mc. Eachran came before the Board and offered to settle his claim for damages for the taking of his land for the Parkway Old Harbor, for thirty five cents per foot and the Sever Assessment of fifty six dollars. His offer was accepted and it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board

passed April 29, 1892. a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Five Corners, so called, in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof two certain parcels of land on Mt. Vernon street belonged to Aeneas Mc. Eachran as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Aeneas Mc Eachran the sum of thirteen hundred and sixteen dollars upon his proving title to the most easterly parcel, containing thirty six hundred square feet, and upon his giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages

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costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor, and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Mr. Howe submitted plans for Seaboro Bridge which were approved and it was voted, to authorize the City Engineer to advertise for bids.

The following was received.

" Office of Civil Service Commission
Boston, May 19. 1893.

" To Geo. F. Clarke Esq.

" Secy. Park Commissioners.

" In compliance with your requisition, dated May 19th 1893, I hereby certify to you Edward F. Mahoney, Wm. D. Joy, and Daniel J. Sullivan of Boston honorably discharged veterans of the war of the rebellion, for appointment as park police men in the Park Department, he having complied with all the requirements of the law.

" Please make return of his appointment on the enclosed blank. Yours respectfully,

" Warren P. Dudley, Secretary.

" John F. Postwick, John D. Lyman, Chas. Laughlin, and Francis M. Peckham are not on our eligible list and therefore cannot be certified for appointment."

and it was

voted, that Edward F. Mahoney, William D. Joy, and Daniel J. Sullivan, be appointed park police officers to serve at present on the Reserve force.

Adjourned to May 25 at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, May 25, 1893.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at one P. M. Present Messrs. Kendrick, Walker, and Sprague. also present Messrs. Jackson and Howe.

Alderman Wood came before the Board to recommend Mr. Flannery for a permit to sell refreshments at Castle Island.

Certificates of the eligibility of John T. Synnam, Francis M. Peckham, Charles Vaughn and John G. Postwick for appointment on the Park Police were received from the Civil Service Commissioners, and it was

Voted, that John T. Synnam, Francis M. Peckham, Charles Vaughn and John G. Postwick be appointed Park Police officers to serve at present in the Reserve force.

Voted, that a Sergeant of Police be appointed to have charge of Marine Park and Castle Island and Wood Island Park, and that Sergeants Dennis and Murphy be invited to send in the names of such officers as they may elect for examination.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to excavate the waterway on the boundary line between Boston and Brookline as shown on the grading plan for tracks and ponds between Willow Pond Road and Parkin Street, prepared by the Landscape Architects, and dated April 20, 1893.

A plan of walk on South side of Chestnut Street, dated May 15 1893, was received from the Landscape Architects and referred to the Engineer in Charge.

A preliminary sketch and plan for a skating and boating house at Scarbors' Pond were received from the City Architect and referred to the Landscape Architects.

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Mr. Howe submitted a report upon Dr. J. M. Wells' claim for extra compensation under his contract for grading at Wood Island Park, and the City Engineer suggested that the claim for filling space not included in the contract might be allowed if the Law Department saw no objection. The matter was referred to the City Engineer to confer with the City Solicitor and report to the Board.

Mr. Howe submitted two letters from Dr. Sargent in regard to the applications for appointment as Superintendent of the Charlesbank Gymnasium which were placed on file pending action upon said appointment. Mr. Stanford Stevens came before the Board to confer with regard to the plan of Dorchesterway showing the occupation of a part of Pond Street in front of his estate as a planted space. The Commissioners replied that the land was outside of the Parkway and within the jurisdiction of the Street Commissioners. Circular 88, containing Mayor's request that a holiday be granted on Saturdays from June 3 to September 30th without loss of pay was received, and it was Voted, that, a half holiday, without loss of pay, be granted to all the employees of this Department whose services can be dispensed with, in part compensation for their services, on Saturdays beginning June 3 and ending September 30, 1893.

The following was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with Mr. Ronca as to arrangements for the care of bicycles.

" City of Boston. In Common Council,
April 27, 1893.

" Ordered, That the Board of Park Commissioners
" be requested to provide a suitable place for bicycles
" at the Marine Park, South Boston, during the tem-
" porary absence of owners of the same, and to detail a
" policeman to care for the same.

" In Common Council, April 27, 1893. Passed

" Sent up for concurrence. David J. Perry, President.
 " May 1, 1893. Referred to Committee on Park Dept.
 J. M. Galvin, City Clerk.

" Clerk of Committee's Department.
 " City of Boston, City Hall, May 16, 1893.

" Referred to the Board of Park Commissioners for
 " a report. By vote of the Committee on Park Dept.
 James L. Willard, Clerk of Committee."

The following was received and placed on file.

" City of Boston, In Common Council,
 January 5, 1893.

" Ordered, that the Park Commissioners be re-
 " quested to erect a gymnasium on Franklin Park.
 " Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of
 " Aldermen, April 24, Concurred.

" The foregoing order was presented to the Mayor
 " April 26, 1893, and was not returned by him
 " within ten days thereafter.

" A true Copy. Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk.
 The following ^{was} received:

" City of Boston, In Common Council, May 18, 1893.
 " Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners
 " be requested to provide a play-ground at the
 " Charlesbank for the use of boys under twelve
 " years of age. Passed. Sent up for Concurrence.
 " In Board of Aldermen, May 22, 1893. Concurred.
 " A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest.

Asst. City Clerk.

and the Secretary was directed to write to the
 Committee of the Massachusetts Emergency and
 Hygiene Association suggesting that they
 consider the admittance to the Children's play-
 ground of boys under six or seven years of age.

A communication was received from Messrs
 Bacon and Tarbell in regard to the competition
 of carriages licensed by the Board of Police,
 and the Secretary was directed to write to the

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Board of Police, ~~and the Secretary was directed~~
~~to write to the Board of Police~~ calling attention to the
complaint and suggesting that the Board of Police
will agree that Nixon & Bartlett should be given the
full privilege within one hundred feet of the Park
Entrance.

An acceptance of the West End Street Railway Co.
of location of pole was received and placed on file.

An application from James G. Pennington for
right to place sanitary stations in the public parks
and use them for advertising purposes was received
and the application declined.

A communication from the French Ambassador
enquiring as to measures adopted for prevention of
pollution of waterways was received and referred
to the City Engineer for reply.

Several applications for stands at Castle Island
for refreshment and sundry purposes were referred
to Messrs. Kendrick and Sprague with power to
grant permits for such purposes.

Subsequently Messrs. Kendrick and Sprague author-
ized permits to be issued to a large number of
the applicants. Mr. Howe was authorized to allow
H. L. Harding to take sods from the Parkway provided
he return an equal quantity of loam.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston, May 29, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners
was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs. Kendrick, Walker, and Sprague,
also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe and J. C. Knsted.
The records of the last meeting were read & approved.

The Mayor conferred with the Board on several
matters connected with the work of the Department,
and at his suggestion it was
voted that the Landscape Architects be requested
to suggest a plan for a parkway between the

Arnold Arboretum and the proposed Muddy Pond park.

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his vote in
form in which
was adopted.
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Voted, that the ordinances or rules adopted for the use and government of the public parks so far as they relate to the Parkway, Arnold Arboretum and Franklin Park are hereby amended by the addition to rule seven of the following words: "or to keep on the left side of the drives, or pass carriages and other cycles going in the same direction on the right"

Voted, that notices calling attention to said rule be posted in said parks.

Senator John F. Fitzgerald and Mr. E. J. Costello came before the Board to request the Board to modify its letter to the Board of Police opposing the licensing of places for the sale of intoxicating liquors in the immediate vicinity of the public parks and parkways, so that Mr. Costello might rent the stores in the buildings owned by him at the corner of Charles and Cambridge Streets opposite Charlestown. Mr. Costello said that if he could obtain a license for the corner store he would change the entrance to the Cambridge Street side and have no outlet on Charles Street, or, if the Commissioners objected to this location, he would like to use the other stores for this purpose. Mr. Fitzgerald said that his brother desired to have a license which had already been granted to him transferred to one of the stores in Mr. Costello's buildings.

The Commissioners took the matter under consideration, and, subsequently,

Voted that the Board objects to a liquor license being granted in any store opening or looking out upon the streets bordering upon Charlestown.

Mr. Sprague stated that he desired to be recorded as objecting to a license being granted in any store of Mr. Costello's buildings at the corner of Cambridge and Charles streets.

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Aldermen Mitchell and Councilman Seeling came before the Board to suggest that permission to occupy stands for the sale of refreshments etc. on Charlestown Playground on June 17th be granted upon the recommendation of the Alderman and Councilman of the District as was done last year, and the Secretary was directed to notify Sergeant Murphy to permit such use of the grounds upon such recommendation.

Park Police Officers Thornton, Keith and Gilman, recommended for promotion by Sergeant Dennis and Officer Hobard, recommended by Sergeant Murphy, came before the Board for examination, and it was Voted, that the Civil Service Commission be requested to examine Officers Thornton, Keith and Gilman under its rules for promotion.

A communication to the Trustees of the Franklin Fund regarding the disposition of the fund was sent to the Board of Aldermen.

Mess. Martin J. Padden and Michael Harey a committee of Park Employees came before the Board to request that a holiday be granted to the employees without loss of pay, for the purpose of holding a picnic and claimed that it was customary in other Departments of the City to grant a holiday for this purpose, subsequently it was

Voted, that all laborers in the Department whose services can be dispensed with be given a holiday, without loss of pay, in part compensation for their services, on such day as, with the consent of the Engineer in Charge, they may select for the purpose of holding a picnic.

Mr. Thomas W. Carter representing the property taken in the name of Susannah M. Dickson for the Parkway came before the Board and submitted an offer of settlement in writing, amounting to fifty nine hundred hundred and thirty seven dollars, and subject to the usual conditions as to betterments and restrictions.

The Commissioners offered to pay fifty five hundred dollars which Mr. Carter accepted and it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Dorset by taking in fee certain parcels of land belonging to several persons and parties, whereas a certain parcel of land was supposed to belong to Susanna M. Dickson, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Thomas W. Carter the sum of five thousand five hundred dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and Conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway Muddy River, also upon his giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A communication was received from John F. Cronan in regard to the claim of Patrick T. Mc. Donald for damages for land taken for Franklin Field, and explaining the offer made by him at a previous meeting which offer unless accepted would be withdrawn after May 29th. After consideration it was Voted, that the offer be declined.

The following was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge for examination and report.

" City of Dorset, In Common Council.

May 18, 1893.

" Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be requested to
 " instruct the Park Commissioners to cause to be removed
 " within two weeks from the date of the passage of
 " this order all the unsightly huts and board houses
 " now maintained on the parkway between Pond

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1893. " In Common Council, May 18, 1893. Referred to
" His Honor the Mayor.

" David T. Dany. " President.
" I think this ought to be done N. M. W. "

" The following was received.

" East Boston, 29th May 1893.
185 Webster Street.

" To the Secretary Board of Park Commissioners.

" Boston, My dear Sir: As President of the
" Battles Athletic Association I respectfully petition,
" that the Association be allowed the use of Wood Island
" Park for the purpose of a Field Meeting on the after-
" noon of Saturday June 10th. The Association is under
" St. Mary's Free Church for Sailors East Boston, controlled
" by the Episcopal City mission and is open to all boys of
" the neighborhood. The meeting does the year work and
" consists chiefly of running and jumping contests.

" W. J. Brooker, Minister of the Free
" Church of St. Mary for Sailors, East Boston."

and it was

Voted, that the Battles Athletic Association be allowed
the use of Wood Island Park for the purpose of
a Field Meeting on the afternoon of Saturday June 10,
subject to the Directions of the Sergeant of Police.

Mr. Deal submitted the estimate of Thomas J. Lyons for
a retaining wall on the Parkway line along Mr. Rueter's
estate, amounting to thirty five hundred and thirty two
dollars. Mr. Howe stated that the City Engineer and
himself had estimated the cost of the wall without
the coping at six dollars per foot or nineteen hundred
and twenty dollars for the three hundred and twenty
feet of frontage. The Secretary was directed to
ask the Corporation Council if Mr. Rueter has any
legal claim for grade damages which ought to be
considered by the Board.

A communication was received from Sturgis and Cabot
submitting sketches for a building for Wood Island

Park which were referred to the Landscape Architects to confer with Mr. Cabot and request him to submit a plan to provide a shelter along the whole front of the building.

Mr. Olmsted recommended the acceptance of the City Architect's design for the building at Scarborough Pond and it was

Voted, that the plan be approved and that the City Architect be requested to prepare working plans and specifications and advertise for bids for the same.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to put granolithic walks in the arbor at Schoolmaster Hill.

Voted, that the Secretary address the Superintendent of Streets to request that a sewer be constructed through Williams street to Forest Hills street so that this Department can connect with it.

Mr. Pierce F. Lonergan came before the Board and said that he was in financial straits and that he could not do any thing more unless he could have a part of the reserve held under his contract. He said that it would advance the work if his request were granted, otherwise he did not see how he could go on as he had borrowed all the money he could.

Mr. Lonergan's request was refused.

The following was received read and placed on file:

" Street Department, City Hall,
" Boston May 24, 1893.

" Board of Park Commissioners.

" Exchange Building, 53 State Street.

" Gentlemen:- The Street Department
" is about to complete the construction of a
" sewer in Centre street, between Orchard street
" and May street. The street, as I understand it,
" has been seized by you as a parkway, together
" with land adjoining the street. Under the

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" law under which this sewer was constructed,
" as the Park Department abuts on the street in
" which the sewer is constructed, it will be necessary
" to assess the cost of the same on your department.
" I would also call your attention to the advisability,
" in case you contemplate the construction of a roadway
" at this point, of extending the house drains from
" the new sewer to the lots which abut on the new
" line of the parkway. Yours truly,

H. H. Carter.

Supt. of Streets."

see page 211. Voted, that the ordinances or rules for the
use and government of the public parks
adopted August 20, 1886, with subsequent
amendments be hereby further amended
so far as they relate to the Parkway, Arnold
Arboretum, and Franklin Park, by adding
to rule 7. the following words: "or contrary
to the Law of the Road, or without a bell or
without a light at night."

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston, June 5, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners
was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs Kendrick and Sprague all
having been duly notified. Also present Mess.
Jackson, Howe, and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.
The following bids for building a bridge over
Scarboro' Pond, Franklin Park were received and
publicly opened and read:

Johnson Brothers.	10.864
John Sheehan. bid unsigned	} 15.237.50
but accompanied with Certified Ch.	

The contract was awarded to Johnson Brothers and the amount of bond was fixed at thirty five hundred dollars.

Mr. George S. Curtis came before the Board to request a change in the proposed grade of the parkway adjoining his estate by bringing it up nearer the general level of the land; also to protect against filling the shore of Jamaica Pond.

Mr. Edward Thompson came before the Board and stated that he was ready to give a deed of the land required from his estate to complete the roadway along the Fremont Entrance, and desired the Commissioners to use their good offices in bringing about an amicable arrangement with Mr. Ward as to the straightening of the dividing line between their estates.

Mr. C. J. Sullivan representing Robert Turner came before the Board with Mr. Cavanagh in regard to Mr. Turner's damages for the taking of his land and buildings at Franklin Field, and submitted an estimate of the cost of moving back and fitting up the buildings, amounting to four hundred and seventy five dollars. He offered to reduce the amount to four hundred dollars, and the Commissioners took the matter under consideration.

Mr. Turner representing the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company came before the Board to suggest the transfer of their telephone wires on Brookline Avenue to the poles of the Brookline Gas Company. He said that the company had eight or ten wires on the poles which being trunk lines the company does not want to put them underground. The Commissioners said that the wires should ultimately go underground, but might remain on the poles for the present and a temporary location of the poles in the driveway

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near the Muddy River Gate House might be granted on application of the Company.

The following were received

June 2, '93.

Mr. Jackson. I hereby notify you that I have this day surrender my contracts to the City of Boston. The contracts are consisting of
"Excavation a drainage ditch on Franklin Field
"Date Dec. 5, 1892. also building a drain on Parkway
"between pond street and Arnold Arboretum, date
"January 2, 1893. Pierce F. Lonergan."

Engineering Department.

June 2, 1893.

"Mr. Paul H. Kendrick.

"Chairman Board of Park Commissioners.

"Sir: Enclosed I forward a communication
"from Mr. Pierce F. Lonergan surrendering his
"contracts for "Excavating a Drainage Ditch at
"Franklin Field" and for "Building a Drain on the
"Parkway between Pond street and the Arnold Arboretum".

Yours respectfully,

"William Jackson.

"City Engineer."

and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to readvertise both contracts the proposals to be received June 19.

The Secretary was directed to confer with the City Solicitor as to whether any further action is required to cancel the Lonergan contracts.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to increase the amount of filling to be purchased for the parkway, Muddy River, from twenty thousand cubic yards to not exceeding fifty thousand cubic yards at the rate for which the railroad is now supplying the same.

Mr. Olmsted presented a plan for enlarging

the building at the Men's Gymnasium which was referred to the Landscape Architects to confer with the City Architect to prepare detailed drawings of the same.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a sketch of a proposed bronze tablet to be placed on a boulder at the easterly end of the Arbor at Franklin Park to commemorate the fact that Ralph Waldo Emerson while teaching school in Roxbury lived in a house on the easterly side of what is now Schoolmaster Hill. Mr. Olmsted said that the tablet would cost one hundred and twenty five dollars for the casting.

Voted, that the request of the Fenway Land Company for a readjustment of the walk and the planted space in front of its houses on the Fenway be not granted.

The Chairman reported that Officers Thornton and Gilman had called upon him to withdraw their names from the examination for promotion to a Sergeancy in favor of officer Keith who had been practically in charge of the post during the past year, and that they desired that their action in withdrawing should be considered in their favor in future promotions. It was thereupon

Voted, that Park police officer Charles E. Keith be promoted to a Sergeancy in the park police subject to the requirements of the Civil Service rules regarding examination.

A communication was received from the Corporation Counsel in regard to the proposed closing of the Channel by building a solid Causeway in the Parkway old Harbor, which was read and placed on file.

A communication was received from the Committee of the Massachusetts Emergency and Hygiene Association in regard to the admittance of boys under eight years of age to the Children's Playground which was read and placed on file and the

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Chairman was authorized to reply to the City Council stating the action of the Emergency Association.

A petition of the National Weighing Machine Company to place weighing machines in the Public Parks was received and the Secretary was directed to reply that as it would be an innovation which the Commissioners are not prepared to adopt at present the Commissioners therefore do not think it advisable to grant the request.

A petition of the Mosquito Fleet Yacht Club for a new location on the Strandway was received, read and placed on file pending the work of construction of the parkway.

A request of the City Messenger to place a temporary band-stand on the Park lands for the purpose of giving open air concerts during the summer, also for permission to place a band-stand on Marine Park and rope off a portion of the grounds on June 27 and 28 at the dedication of the Farragut Statue, was received & it was voted, that the City Messenger be authorized to place a temporary band-stand on the Park lands for the purpose of giving open air concerts on the dates set forth in his letter of May 31st; also to place a band-stand and rope off a portion of the grounds of Marine Park on June 27 and 28th at the dedication of the Farragut Statue.

An application was received from R. J. Neville for the privilege of erecting a lunch counter on park land in front of L. street bath house and to sell refreshments therefrom and was refused.

An application was received from Messrs Reid and Mc. Kenzie for the privilege of operating a Merry-go-round on Charlestown Playground; which was refused.

An application was received from Thomas O. Leary for the use of a house at Charlestown Playground June 16 and 17 for the sale of refreshments and was laid over pending an inquiry by the Secretary as to whether the Young Women's Christian Temperance Union desired the use of the building as last year.

Additional applications for permits for the sale of refreshments at Castle Island were received and placed on file.

A request of Henry E. Sheldon Agent, for a permit to erect the Paragut Statue at Marine Park was received and it was

Voted, that Henry E. Sheldon, Agent of the Grande Railway Company, be permitted to make excavations, place foundations, and erect the Paragut Statue at Marine Park, said work to be done and the grounds to be left in a condition satisfactory to the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that the City Solicitor be authorized to accept a deed from Aeneas Mc. Eachran for his land taken for the Parkway, Old Harbor, containing a clause exempting his remaining lands from betterments.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase two Engineer's transits for the use of this department.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be requested to examine and report upon the matter of Shelter and sanitary arrangements at Dorchester and Wood Island Parks.

Voted, that the plans for the Refectory at Franklin Park be referred to the Landscape Architects to confer with Messrs. Hartwell & Richardson for such modifications as may be deemed to be desirable.

Mr. Howe reported in reference to the order of the City Council referred to him at the last meeting requesting the removal of certain buildings on the Parkway, Muddy River, that the buildings referred to are occupied by Boulton & O'Mahoney Contractors for grading this section who he understands have a permit from the Park Commissioners for such occupancy.

A communication was received from the

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Corporation Counsel concerning Mr. Rueters damages occasioned by cutting down the pathway adjoining his land and his opinion of the measure of damages therefor, which was read and placed on file.

The Secretary presented the following agreement which he said had been drawn up by the Law Department and signed by Mr. Downey in accordance with the proposition made by him in a letter dated June 1st 1893 and signed by Robert M. Morse his attorney.

Whereas by an act of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, passed April 29, 1892, a certain parcel of land on Centre Street, West Roxbury, with the dwelling-house thereon, was taken from me for park purposes, and whereas by direction of said Commissioners said dwelling-house was sold at public auction on the fifth day of May, 1893, and was bid off by me for the sum of nineteen hundred dollars, and whereas a cash deposit of one hundred dollars made by me at the time of said sale, and my promissory note for the sum of eighteen hundred dollars, given by me to said Commissioners as payment of the balance of the purchase money for said dwelling-house, have been returned to me by said Commissioners;

Now, therefore, in consideration of the sale of said dwelling-house to me at the price aforesaid, I hereby acknowledge the receipt from the City of Boston of the sum of nineteen hundred dollars on account of the damages sustained by me on account of said taking, and agree that said sum shall be deducted as a partial payment from any claim which I may have against said City for damages for, on account of, or in any way growing out of said taking.

Witness my hand and seal this fifth day of June,
A. D. 1893.

Witness.

M. E. Downey (seal)

Geo. F. Clarke.

The Secretary also presented the account sales of buildings sold by S. L. P. Howard & Co. amounting to thirty four hundred and seventy dollars with check of eleven hundred and twenty one $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars to balance the same and the matter was laid over until the next meeting.

Geo. H. Melanck.
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Boston, June 12, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Messrs. Kendrick and Sprague, Mr. Waite being absent from the City; also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. C. Rmeted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved. Mr. Hall and others representing a Committee of the East Boston Citizens Association came to confer with the Board to ask for a formal hearing in regard to the work to be done on the Wood Island Park. After an informal discussion of the plans of Board the Committee decided that a formal hearing was not necessary.

Mr. George S. Curtis came before the Board with reference to the proposed grade of the Parkway through his estate. Mr. Curtis asked the Board whether if he allowed the City to take material from his estate to fill the Parkway the Commissioners would relieve his estate from betterments. The Commissioners replied that they should be inclined to favor him in that respect all they could. The matter was further referred to Mr. Howe to confer with Mr. Curtis on the ground.

Mr. Paul B. Watson came before the Board to ask permission to enter the outlet drain from Franklin Field in order to clear the land of his client Mrs. Tucker on Chapman Avenue and Lyons

June 12. street from surface water.

1893. The commissioner replied that on account of the duties which the drain had to perform it would not be expedient to grant the request.

A communication was received from F. A. Peters requesting that a fence be built on the line between his estate and Franklin Park and the Secretary was directed to reply that the fence should be a joint affair, the style and cost to be satisfactory to the Board.

Mr. Sprague presented the requests of Professor Sargent that a pipe be laid for drainage in the Arnold Arboretum in place of an open ditch also that the Commissioners request the Street Department to build a drain from the Arboretum to Stony Brook. After some discussion the matters were laid on the table.

Mr. Sprague also submitted requests of His Honor the Mayor that the Commissioners consider the advisability of seizing half an acre of land containing a spring near Ward's pond, also that fences be removed near Ward's pond and at the corner of Prince and Perkins Street.

The following was received.

" Office of the Mayor.

" City Hall. June 12. 1893.

" P. H. Kendrick, Esq.,

" Chairman Park Commission.

" Dear Sir:- Will you kindly bring to the
 " attention of the Board at its meeting to day the
 " following matter: There were seventy thousand
 " people in Castle Island yesterday, all in search of water
 " to drink. I have seen the Water Board to day
 " and they have agreed to lay a water pipe under the
 " bridge. They say that they will get it done by next
 " Sunday, and thus if the Park Commissioners will
 " erect an inexpensive fountain on Castle Island near
 " the bridge, the people who go to the Island next

" Sunday will find plenty of water to drink. I should
 " think that a very simple structure, with a single
 " fountain at which half a dozen persons can drink at
 " a time, would be sufficient. No expense would be
 " inconsiderable, but the convenience would be great.

" Yours very truly,

" N. Matthews Jr. per m."

and it was

Voted, that the Water Board be requested to
 lay a water pipe along the bottom of the
 pleasure bay from Marine Park to Castle
 Island and erect two drinking fountains on
 the island at points to be indicated by the Engineer
 in Charge.

The City Engineer was requested to confer with
 the Water Board and do all that is required to
 carry out the suggestion of the Mayor.

The following was received and the Secretary
 was directed to inquire of the City Solicitor as to
 what action is required to be taken by this Board.

" City of Boston, In Common Council,

" May 25. 1893.

" Ordered, that in the several suits for abate-
 " ment of the Marine Park Extension betterment
 " assessments, the City Solicitor be and is hereby
 " authorized to consent to judgment abating
 " said assessments to an amount equal to ninety
 " per cent of the amount assessed, but in each
 " case without cost and without interest.

" Ordered, that the City Collector be hereby
 " authorized and directed to receive from any
 " person assessed a betterment on account of
 " the Marine Park Extension, ten per cent of the
 " amount so assessed, the same to be in full
 " satisfaction for such assessment, and that the
 " City Treasurer be authorized and directed to
 " repay to any person who has paid any better-
 " ment so assessed ninety per cent of the

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- " amount so paid, on bills to be presented to the
" Board of Park Commissioners therefor, and approved
" by them.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" May 29, concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 7, 1893.
" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest.
" Asst. City Clerk."

The following was received and the matter was referred to the Engineer in Charge:

" City of Boston. In Common Council,
May 11, 1893.

- " Ordered, that the Park Commissioners be requested
" to furnish better sanitary accommodations at Marine
" Park, South Boston.
" Passed. Sent up for concurrence. In Board of Aldermen,
" May 29, concurred.
" A true copy. Attest: John T. Priest Asst. City Clerk."
Mr. Seth Perkins came before the Board at the request of the City Engineer and stated that he would do the work of completing the Drainage ditch at Franklin Field on a basis of fifteen per cent advance on the cost of the work. He had facilities for doing the work expeditiously and at a minimum cost. He estimated that there were about seven thousand cubic yards to be excavated at a cost of between forty and fifty cents per cubic yard.
Mr. Jackson recommended this method of completing the work, and it was
Voted, that the Chairman request the consent of the Mayor to the making of a contract for completing the work without advertising for bids.
Voted, that the Chairman be authorized in behalf of the Board to request the Mayor to authorize the issue of the remainder of the Loan which the Board has already requested the City Treasurer to issue.
Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to employ Thomas Mc. Dermott late Engineer for

the Jamaica Pond Aqueduct Corporation as an engineer in this Department at not exceeding seventy five dollars per month.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to employ two additional rodmen in the Engineering force.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to advertise for proposals for laying drains at Wood Island Park.

Mr. J. J. Quigley requested permission to place signs at the Wharf and on the bridge at Castle Island calling attention to his Steamboat service, also to run a steam launch between Perkins Wharf at Marine Park and the island, and it was

Voted, that the requests be granted to be carried out under the direction of the Sergeant of Police.

Voted, that the rejection of the application of Richard J. Seville for leave to sell refreshments on the Parkway near the L. Street bath houses be reconsidered and that said application be granted under the usual conditions of licenses issued for such purposes at Castle Island.

Voted, that Sergeant Dennis be requested to change the location given to Mr. Ronca for a refreshment stand, so as to bring it inside the walk leading from the wharf to the fort at Castle Island.

A request was received from Sergeant Murphy that he be allowed to retain Wood Island Park under his jurisdiction, which was read and laid over until the next meeting.

Voted, that the National Weighing Machine Co. be given permission to place two weighing machines on Castle Island under the direction of the Sergeant of Police.

Voted, that the application of Charles Parker for a license for stand for letting telescopes and

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marine glasses at Castle Island be granted under the usual conditions of such licenses.

The application of German F. Hoffman, for appointment as instructor at Charlestown Gymnasium, was received read and placed on file.

Voted, that the application of Robert F. Mc. Ginn for a license to land supplies at Castle Island be granted under the usual conditions of such licenses.

Voted, that the application of Mr. Rosenthal for leave to exhibit a phonograph at Castle Island during the summer be not granted.

The applications of Mr. Mattie and others to sell refreshments at Castle Island were laid over for the present.

Voted, that the application of G. Tolson for permission to exhibit a phonograph at Castle Island be not granted.

Mayor's circular No. 89 in regard to payment of weekly pay rolls on Friday June 16, 1893. was received and referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with other Departments and take such action as may be usual in such cases.

The account sales of L. L. P. Atwood for the sale of buildings on the Parkway leaving a net amount of cash received eleven hundred and twenty one $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars submitted by the Secretary at the last meeting of the Board was allowed.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston, June 19, 1893.

The following bids were received and publicly opened and read by Mr. Kendrick the other Commissioners being absent from the City.

Cannvass of bids received for building a drain on the Parkway between Pond street and Arnold Arboretum.

H. P. Nawn.

Dennis O. Bonnell.

(Boston.

Dorchester.

a. 1050 lin. feet	4.40	4620.	4.83	5071.50
b. 50 cu. yds.	001	.50	4.00	200.00
c. 310 cu. yds. brick Am. Cem.	12.87	3989.70	14.50	4495.00
d. 100 " " Portl. Cem.	14.00	1400.00	16.50	1650.00
e. 40 " " concrete.	5.00	200.	5.75	230.00
f. 150 " " rubble.	5.50	825.	6.50	975.00
g. 2.5 " " dimension stone.	40.00	100.	30.00	75.00
h. 8000 ft. B. M. Spruce.	30.00	240.	33.00	264.00
i. 1000 lin. ft. bin. D. pipe	.50	500.	.33	330.00
m. 200 Spruce piles.	4.00	800.	2.75	550.00
		<u>\$ 12.675.20</u>		<u>\$ 13.840.50</u>

Christopher Mc. Bride, Brighton.

a. 1050 lin. feet.	6.00	6300.
b. 50 cu. yds.	6.00	300.
c. 310 " " brick Am. Cement.	13.50	4185.
d. 100 " " Portland "	16.00	1600.
e. 40 " " concrete.	6.00	240.
f. 150 " " rubble.	6.00	900.
g. 2.5 " " dim. stone.	25.00	62.50
h. 8000 ft. B. M. Spruce.	35.00	280.00
i. 1000 lin. ft. bin. D. pipe.	.40	400.00
m. 200 Spruce piles.	4.	<u>800.</u>
		<u>\$ 15.067.50</u>

Bids received for building a cottage at
Ellicottdale, Franklin Park.

Daniel M. O'Connell, Brighton. 15.479.

Charles H. Dodge. 11.063.

do. do stone from Park. 10.863.

Johnson Brothers. 11.812.

O'Connor & White. 15.563

Geo. H. Clarke,
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Boston, June 26. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Messrs. Kendrick, Walker and Sprague, also present Messrs Jackson, Howe and J. O. Amsted. The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids were received for building retaining walls on the Parkway, Muddy River, and were publicly opened and read:

James Killian.	Boston.	\$ 3.900.
Robt. H. Sutherland.	So. Boston.	5.175.
Wm. L. Miller.	Boston.	5.470.
Johnson Brothers.	Brookline.	5.859.
J. Mc.Carthy & Son.	Boston.	6.034.56
O'Connor & White.	Boston.	6.227.25
H. P. Nawn.	Boston.	8.000.
Bernard & Malone.	Brookline.	8.968.
John C. Coleman.	Boston.	9.824.

Voted, that the contract be awarded to James Killian and the amount of bonds fixed at fifteen hundred dollars, the bondsmen to be canvassed and approved by the Chairman.

Voted, that the contract for building Ellicottdale Cottage at Franklin Park be awarded to Charles H. Dodge, without the right to take stone from the park, and with the substitution of unglazed for glazed tiles with the consequent reduction in price, and that the amount of bonds be fixed at thirty five hundred dollars, the bondsmen to be canvassed and approved by the Chairman.

The contract with H. P. Nawn for building a drain on the Parkway between Pond street and Arnold Arboretum with Owen Nawn and John J. Nawn as bondsmen in the sum of four thousand dollars was approved and the contract executed.

Alderman Flood presented the applications of Michael Moloney and Benjamin Drohan for the

privilege of maintaining a photograph tent and Punch and Judy show respectively, at Castle Island, and it was

Voted, that permission be granted as requested. Alderman Mitchell requested that the privilege of recommending applicants for the sale of refreshments etc. at Charlestown Raceground granted to him and the Councilmen from Charlestown District for June 17th. be extended to July 4th next, when the Carnival parade postponed from June 17th will occur, and the Secretary was directed to notify Sergt. Murphy to permit such use of the grounds upon such recommendation.

Mr. Charles T. Gallagher came before the Board to confer in regard to a discontinuance of the proposed reserved Channel, and a settlement with the Turnham estate on that basis, after some discussion the Commissioners suggested a postponement of the further consideration of the matter for the present.

Mr. Nathan F. Tufts came before the Board to request that the filling in of Tufts Mill pond be discontinued at the point where it is now being done as it will result in closing the outlet of the pond which would be detrimental to the mill power and aggravate the nuisance now existing in the pond.

The Commissioners called Mr. Tufts attention to two complaints from the Board of Health of June 15th and 21st respectively, which were read. Mr. Tufts said that the complaints were probably based on the fact that for several days the water had been entirely drawn out of the pond to enable him to repair the gratings of the sluice way thus exposing the flats. He agreed to keep the flats covered with sufficient water to abate the nuisance. The matter was thereupon referred to the Engineer in Charge to confer with Mr. Tufts as to the matter.

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of shifting the dump so as not to interfere with the mill power, and report to the Board of Health as to the means to be taken to abate the nuisance.

The following bids for lighting Back Bay Fens for the term of five years were received.

Brookline Gas Light Co. Eleven Lights forty cents per night under the same conditions as are contained in its present contract with the City. All poles, hoods and under ground conduits to be furnished at actual cost to the company.

Suburban Light and Power Co. Thirty four Lights thirty seven and one half cents per night under same conditions as present contracts for street lighting. All poles, hoods and underground conduits to be furnished at actual cost to the company.

Boston Electric Light Co. Forty five lights thirty seven and one half cents per night. All lamp posts and fittings with the underground system to be constructed and guaranteed for five years for sixty two hundred dollars or if erected on the over head system forty one hundred dollars.

Mr. Albert C. Denage representing the Brookline Gas Light Company and Suburban Light and Power Company came before the Board to further explain their bids. He said that the cost for the hood and pole would be thirty seven dollars and they estimated the cost of underground conduit at fifty cents per foot or twenty two hundred dollars for the lights to be furnished by the Brookline Co. The cost for the lights to be supplied by the Suburban Company would be proportionately the same.

Mr. John W. Furber presented an application for the privilege of selling refreshments on the Strandway at the L. street bath house, and showed two letters from alderman Dever in regard to the matter. He said that the permit granted to Richard J. Neville had been intended for Neville and himself who were intended to carry on the business for joint

account. They had been unable to agree, however, and he now desired a permit in his own name.

After some discussion the commissioners declined to grant further permits on the Strandway.

The applications of J. P. Sherlin, George Collins, Joseph H. Forristall, Mrs. Dacey and Mrs. Fitzgerald for permission to sell refreshments on Marine Park June 28th were rejected on the ground that no permits are allowed except at Castle Island.

The application of W. L. Ens for leave to operate a weighing scale at Castle Island on June 28 was granted, also a application of John E. Collins for permission to exhibit a spirometer at Castle Island.

A communication was received from Mrs. F. Frances Parkhurst in regard to the carriage service at Franklin Park, and the Secretary was directed to call the attention of Mess. Decont Tarnell to the complaint that the park carriages wait an undue time at the entrance in order to fill all the seats, and that many who have taken the liberty to stop over are unable to secure seats for the return trip, also that it is the opinion of the Board that smaller carriages for smaller parties in addition to those now run would conduce much to the public convenience.

Voted, that temporary permission be granted to Mrs. M. Atherton to teach bicycle riding on the east side of the Back Bay Fens from the railroad to Doyleton Street.

Upon the petition of J. J. Quigley and others it was Voted, that Castle Island be open until thirty minutes after sunset.

The following was received.

"Street Department, City Hall,

"Boston, June 23, 1893.

"Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State Street.

"Gentlemen:— I desire to call your attention

"to the fact that it will be necessary sometime in

June 26. 1893. the near future to construct a sewer through the parkway
 " in the vicinity of Willow Pond, Brookline. I am
 " informed that you are about to finish the resurfacing
 " of this road, and desire to call your attention
 " to the matter, so that, if you deem it advisable, you
 " may take the necessary steps to build this piece of
 " sewer. Yours truly, H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets."

and it was

Resolved, that the Chairman reply that the Commissioners have no power to construct sewers, but that it seems to us important that sewers be provided for those persons who will build on the line of the parkway and call the attention of the Superintendent of Streets to our letter on this subject of August 30, 1892.

Resolved, that the request of the City Messenger for permission to make arrangements for bicycle races at Franklin Park; for fire works and band concert at Jamaica Pond; for fire works and band concert at Marine Park, and for a band concert at Charlestown as set forth in his letter of June 21, 1893 be granted.

The following was received.

"City Messenger Department, June 25, 1893.
 " Paul H. Kendrick Esq.

" Chairman Board of Park Commissioners.

" Dear Sir:- Alderman Lee, Chairman Committee
 " on Farragut Statue dedication has requested me
 " to ask you if you will kindly see that the holes at
 " the entrance to the Marine Park are all filled up
 " and the grounds around the Farragut statue put in
 " good condition before Wednesday next; as they are
 " now it will cause much inconvenience, if it is
 " not remedied. Yours respectfully,

" A. H. Peters. City Messenger."

and the Engineer in Charge was directed to look into the matter and do whatever is necessary to fix up the grounds.

The following was received.

" City of Boston. In Common Council.

" June 15, 1893.

" Ordered, that His Honor the Mayor be requested
" to instruct the Board of Park Commissioners to
" provide a sufficient number of portable cots for
" the accommodation of the people in Wood Island
" Park, East Boston.

" Passed, sent up for concurrence. In Board of
" Aldermen, June 19, concurred. A true copy.

" Attest: John J. Priest, Asst. City Clerk."

and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge transfer twenty five
or thirty cots from Franklin Park to Wood
Island Park.

The application of R. Victor Knüpfer for increase
of pay was rejected.

The Secretary reported that the City Solicitor said
in regard to the order of the City Council to abate
or refund South Boston betterment assessments,
that the Commissioners should authorize some one
to approve bills for said purposes, and it was
Voted, that the Commissioners see no reason why
they should approve the abated bills for
betterment assessments in connection with the
extension of Marine Park, and that Mr. Sprague
be requested to draw up a reply to the City
Council.

Mr. Jackson reported that to secure drainage
for the buildings to be erected at Franklin Park
it would be necessary for the Department to lay
an iron pipe from the park to the sewer in Washington
street and build a flush tank at an expense of
from twenty three hundred to twenty five hundred
dollars.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized
to raise the pay of Maurice Mc. Cormick a
stone mason to three dollars per day.

1. Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase a horse, wagon and harness for the Assistant Engineer at Franklin Park at an expense not to exceed four hundred and fifty dollars.

Noted, that the Emerson Memorial tablet designed by Walker & Kimball be approved and the same be erected, at the estimated cost of one hundred and twenty five dollars.

Noted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to lay a pipe drain in the Arboretum in place of an open ditch and grade the grounds as requested by Prof. Sargent.

Noted, that the Street Department be requested to construct the permanent channel for the brook recurring from the Arnold Arboretum to Stony Brook.

Geo. H. Clarke,
Secy

Boston, July 3. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners
was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess. Hendrichen Walker and Sprague,
also present Mess. Jackson and Howe.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The following bids for building drains at Wood Island Park were received and publicly opened and read:

E. O'Connell.

(2) Dorchester.

a.	580 lin. ft.	2.49.	1392.	g.	10 cu. yds.	12.00	120.
b.	200 " "	1.75.	350.	k.	1800 lin ft.	.30	540.
c.	420 " "	1.12.	470.40	l.	1 tide gate chamber.	300.	300.
d.	600 " "	1.00	600.	m.	1 flood " "	175.	175.
e.	10 cu. yds.	4.00	40.	n.	3 manholes.	40.	120.
f.	10 " "	6.50	<u>65.</u>	o.	6 catchbasins.	90	<u>540</u>

Total. . . \$ 4712.40

a.	580 lin ft.	1.75	1015.00.	1.50	870.00
b.	200 " "	1.60	320.00	1.50	300.00
c.	420 " "	1.40	588.00	1.25	525.00
d.	600 " "	1.35	810.00	1.00	600.00
e.	10 cubic yds.	4.50	45.00	3.00	30.00
f.	10 " "	3.50	35.00	6.00	60.00
g.	10 " "	5.00	50.00	7.00	70.00
k.	1800 lin ft.	.49	882.00	.60	1080.00
l.	1 tide gate Chamber.	95.00	95.00	150.00	150.00
m.	1 flood " "	99.00	99.00	130.00	130.00
n.	3 manholes.	45.00	135.00	45.00	135.00
o.	6 catch basins.	42.00	<u>252.00</u>	35.00	<u>210.00</u>
			\$ 4326.00		\$ 4160.00

Wm. H. Powers.
Dorchester.

C. Connor & White.
Boston.

David Purnell.
E. Boston.

a.	580 lin. ft.	1.70	986.00
b.	200 " "	1.45	290.00
c.	420 " "	1.28	537.60
d.	600 " "	1.20	720.00
e.	10 cubic yds.	4.50	45.00
f.	10 " "	6.00	60.00
g.	10 " "	7.00	70.00
k.	1800 lin. ft.	.20	360.00
l.	1 tide gate chamber.	85.00	85.00
m.	1 flood " "	90.00	90.00
n.	3 manholes.	35.00	105.00
o.	6 catch basins.	33.00	<u>198.00</u>
			\$ 3546.60

The contract was awarded to David Purnell the amount of bonds was fixed at twelve hundred dollars and the Chairman was authorized to canvass and approve the names of bondsmen.

Mr. Gilbert President of the Boston Electric Light Company came before the Board and submitted a drawing showing style of

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lamp post estimated upon a sample of underground cable and a copy of the guarantee of the Safety Insulated Wire and Cable Company of New York, referred to in his proposal for lighting the Dock Bay Fens submitted at the last meeting. The matter was taken under consideration and subsequently it was

resolved, that the Chairman ask the consent of the mayor to the making of a contract with the Boston Electric Light Co. upon the terms of its proposal for lighting the Dock Bay Fens.

President Dwight, Mr. John C. Gray and others representing the American Express Company and the owners of State Wharf on Commercial Street came to ask whether the Board objected to the application of said company now before the Board of Aldermen for the erection of a stable upon this property.

The Commissioners replied that although they had the matter of a park in this locality under consideration they had made no plans which involved the taking of this property, and that they therefore could offer no objection to said petition at present, and had not done so.

Mr. J. W. Proctor assistant City Solicitor came before the Board in regard to the claims of the tenants of the DeLows Estate at City Point. He said that Mr. Dabson recommended a settlement by the payment of three thousand dollars, the tenants to remain undisturbed so long as the progress of the work does not require their removal, at a rental of two hundred dollars per annum, it was thereupon

resolved, that the City Solicitor be authorized to consent to judgment in favor of Frank Lentine and Annie Burns in the sum of three thousand dollars, without interest and without costs, as damages to their leasehold estate in the premises taken by this Board on the thirtieth day of

April 1890, as the property of the heirs or devisees of A. F. Bellows, provided that said Lentine and Burns shall by an instrument satisfactory to the City Solicitor, release and discharge the City from all their claims for damages on account of said taking, and agree to pay to the City rent at the rate of two hundred dollars per annum from and after the fifteenth day of June, 1890, for such time as they shall desire and be permitted by this Board to occupy the premises described in their lease, said rent to be paid in equal quarterly payments, the first of such payments to be made on the fifteenth day of September next, and at the same rate for any part of a quarter unexpired when their occupancy of said premises shall terminate, and to quit and deliver up said premises at any time upon notice from this Board at which time they shall be permitted to remove their buildings.

Michael Harvey, James Hart and Patrick T. Collins a committee of Park Employees, came before the Board to ask that pay be allowed only to the men who attend the pic-nic of their association a day for which had been granted by the Board. Mr. Hart said that a part of the men do not want to buy the tickets for the pic-nic, and he requested that an order be issued by the Board similar to that issued by the Street Department stating that the day is given only to those who attend the picnic and that none but those who attend the picnic will be allowed pay. Subsequently the Secretary was directed to reply to the committee that having considered the matter the Commissioners decide to interfere.

Mr. R. L. Barrows came before the Board in regard to the sale of the houses on the Weber and

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O'Donnell Estates on the Parkway. He said that the Executors of the Weber Estate considered the taking for park purposes to have entirely destroyed the value of the house and that they preferred to surrender the whole of the house to the City under an agreement which would hold the City liable for damages for the remainder of the house.

Mr. Barrows was thereupon requested to arrange with the Executors of the Weber Estate for releasing the house by an agreement satisfactory to the Law Department, also that a similar arrangement be made with Annie O'Donnell if such can be arranged.

The following were received:

Boston, July 3, 1893.

To the Board of Park Commissioners
of the City of Boston:-

Gentlemen: The New England Telephone
and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts
asks permission to construct and maintain
underground conduits with the wires and
cables to be placed therein under the surface
of West Charlesgate between Beacon Street
and the water front.

Also to construct therein and maintain
the necessary manholes and house connections.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph
Company of Massachusetts, by

Jasper N. Keller. General Manager.

Boston July 3, 1893.

To the Board of Park Commissioners
of the City of Boston:-

Gentlemen:- The New England Telephone
and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts
asks leave to locate its poles and wires thereon
in the park near Brookline Avenue, as shown
by the attached plan. The New England Telephone and
Telegraph Company of Mass. by Jasper N. Keller. Genl. Manager.

and the Secretary was directed to reply that the Board has no objection to the construction and maintenance of an underground conduit in Charlesgate west under a suitable agreement to be prepared by the Corporation Council, and that the Board will entertain a proposition for a temporary location for poles and wires, as shown on the plan accompanying their letter of July 3^d under a similar agreement.

Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to enter into such an agreement for a temporary location not to exceed two years and to terminate sooner if required by the Board.

The Secretary stated that the Devises of Gilbert Wait had agreed to accept the award of the Commissioners for the land taken from them for the Parkway, Old Harbor, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near Old Harbor, so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Dorchester belonging to several persons or parties, among of which certain parcels of land or flats belonged to the Heirs or Devises of Gilbert Wait as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Cynthia Wait, Caroline S. Wait, Adelia C. Wait, Gilbert H. Wait, Devises under the Will of Gilbert Wait, the sum of sixty nine dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs, and

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expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a 'vessel on the City, Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Communications were received from the Superintendent of Streets regarding the surfacing of Willow Pond Road, in which it is proposed to build a sewer; the construction of Roxbury Avenue; and the regulation of tidegates at Tufts Mill Pond, and they were personally referred to the Chairman for reply.

Communications from James I. Brooks addressed to individual Commissioners were submitted by them to the Board, and the Secretary was directed to refer the matter to the Corporation Counsel with the request that he look into the matter of Mr. Brook's claims and submit an opinion in writing of their validity or otherwise for the files of this Department.

The following was received, read and laid over.

" City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen.

June 19, 1893.

" Ordered, that the Board of Park Commissioners
" report to this Board, at its earliest convenience,
" the cost of lighting the Back Bay Park, during
" the summer months, and as much longer as
" is deemed by them expedient.

" Passed. The foregoing order was presented to the
" Mayor June 21, 1893. and was not returned by
" him within ten days thereafter.

" A true copy. Attest: John J. Priest
" Act. City Clerk."

The Chairman was authorized to apply to the Board of Health for permission to fill with City ditches Tufts Mill Pond and the Paroway at Old Harbor, as required by the regulations of the Board of Health.

The following was received.

" Boston, June 30, 1893.

" To the Park Commissioners.

" City of Boston.

" Gentlemen:- I have a large ledge
" prokter to a little off Goddard Street, near the
" estate of Mrs. J. H. Field, Brookline, within half
" a mile of Jamaica Pond, and I will give to the
" Park department all the stone they can use for
" one year, if they will put in a crusher and
" make a short road into the ledge.

" I would like to hear from you at your earliest
" convenience as I intend to make some dispo-
" sition of this ledge property in some way as
" early as possible. Very respectfully yours

" John J. Mc Cormack."

and the Secretary was directed to reply to
Mr. Mc Cormack that the offer of stone from
his ledge is respectfully declined as the Department
can procure its stone delivered on the works at a
less price than it could be obtained by accepting his
proposition.

The following was received:

" Lowell, Mass. July 3, 1893.

" George P. Clarke, Esq.

" Secretary Board of Park Commissioners,

" Exchange Bldg., Boston, Mass.

" Dear Sir:- Inclosed I send you deed
" of the strip wanted by you for widening the
" Tremont Entrance to the Park. I also send
" with the understanding that you will com-
" mence me for the filling recently placed upon
" the land by the Boston and Albany Railroad
" Co. and paid for by me, and also with the hope
" that you will conclude it fair to assume pay
" for, or at least relieve me from the payment of
" taxes for the year 1893. Please acknowledge
" receipt, and advise me as to the above

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" must oblige,

Yours truly

Frederick Ayer."

and the Secretary was directed to request Mr. Ayer to submit a bill for the amount of filling placed upon the ship decked including also proportion of taxes for 1893.

A communication was received from William Ring requesting leave to have the Prescott House occupied while it remains on the Park lands and it was

Voted, that the same be allowed under tenancy at will subject to the consent of the contractors for grading the Parkway.

Voted, that the bill of Edward J. Morse M.D. for professional services amounting to three dollars be allowed and paid.

The application of W. E. Housh & Co. for space to sell the new drink called Cherry Ambrosia at Castle Island, was refused.

The certificate of eligibility of Edward H. Fowman for appointment as a park police officer was received and it was

Voted, that Edward H. Fowman be appointed a park police officer to serve at present on the reserve force.

Plans for a Refectory building at Franklin Park were presented by Hartwell and Richardson and it was

Voted, that the preliminary plans for the Refectory at Franklin Park submitted by Hartwell and Richardson be accepted and that the Secretary request them to proceed with the final plans as rapidly as possible so that contracts can be entered into for construction during the present season.

The Secretary was directed to write to the General Manager of the Boston and Albany Railroad requesting the right to cross the railroad with

telephone wires to the new administration building until such time as the grounds are graded and other arrangements for telephone can be made.

Geo. F. Warner,
Secy.

(Boston, July 10, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Kendrick, Harker and Sprague, also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe, and W. L. Crocker. Councilor John W. Fitzgerald and others came before the Board in the matter of the proposed North end park, and the proposed erection of a large stable by the American Express Company on one of the wharves which have been proposed as a site. Mr. Fitzgerald said that, in the opinion of himself and other residents of ward 6 and seven, the wharves adjoining the Boston Gas Light Company's premises were the most desirable location for the park, and that even if the plate wharf could be omitted, the erection of a large stable upon it immediately adjoining the park would be objectionable. Mr. Gray representing the Express Company exhibited the plans for the stable and said that the Company had gone to considerable expense in making plans and procuring materials. He estimated that about fifteen thousand dollars had been expended in this way, some of the material might be made use of in another location. The Commissioners suggested that the company endeavor to secure a location elsewhere. Subsequently after conference with the mayor it was Voted, that the

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papers be prepared ^{for} taking the wharf property on Commercial Street between the Boston Gas Light Company wharf and Fisher Wharf, and that Mr. Sprague be requested to ascertain upon what terms the land of the Boston Gas Light Company between Jackson Avenue and Lime alley can be secured.

Col. Livermore came before the Board to call attention to a pile of gravel on the hill at the Arnold Art-
return which was expected to be removed in grading the roads. There being done the gravel should be removed and the grounds properly graded.

Mr. Howe stated that he estimated the expense of doing the work at six hundred dollars and he was further directed to ascertain what disposition could be best made with the material.

His Honor the Mayor came before the Board to confer in regard to the proposed contracts for lighting the Back Bay Piers, and at his suggestion it was

voted, to defer the matter until the City can obtain a bid for electric lights for the City generally. The following letter from the Mayor was also received, read and placed on file.

Office of the Mayor.

"Boston, July 7. 1893.

"Paul H. Kendrick, Esq.

"Chairman Park Commission:

"Dear Sir:- In reply to your letter of
"the 5th I would say that I had information
"that other parties would bid besides the companies
"you have named to light the Back Bay Park, and
"if I had known that you intended to advertise
"for bids I would have liked to confer with
"you about it. Mr. Conners told me that they
"would bid when the matter came up, and I do
"not think they could have known about this ad-
"vertisement. It seems to me that the price

" of 37 $\frac{1}{2}$ cents is excessive; and I write to ask you
 " to send all the bids up to me so that I can ex-
 " amine into the matter.

" Yours very truly,

N. Matthews Jr."

" P. S. Will the Commissioners be here
 Monday? "

At the suggestion of the Mayor it was
 voted, that the Landscape Architects be requested
 to prepare a plan for laying out the ex-
 tension of the Charles River Embankment as
 authorized under Chapter 344 of the acts of
 the year 1891 and Chapter 435 of the acts of
 the year 1893.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be requested
 to confer with the City Architect with refer-
 ence to their preliminary plans for the
 structure to include bath-houses, refreshment
 at the entrance to the pier at Marine Park,
 and that the City Architect be requested to
 furnish detailed plans and estimates for
 the construction of the same.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a revised grading plan
 for the Parkway south of Perkins street, showing
 cut on land of George S. Curtis, and the plan
 was referred to Mr. Curtis for his approval.

Mr. Olmsted also submitted grading plans of
 Dorchesterway and Strandway from Old Colony
 R. R. to proposed bridge, and of Strandway
 from proposed bridge to Marine Park.

The latter plan was adopted and the City
 Engineer was requested to prepare working
 plans and advertise for a contract to include
 the section between W. street and Marine Park.

Several remonstrants to the enforcing of the
 Park ordinance requiring cycles to carry bells were
 heard and subsequently it was

Voted, that the Ordinances or rules adopted for

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the use and government of the public parks so far as they relate to The Parkway, Arnold Arboretum and Franklin Park be hereby amended by inserting in the last clause of rule seven after the word "bell" the words "or bicycle horn attached" also that said rules so far as they relate to Marine Park and Wood Island Park be hereby amended by the addition of the following rules with the numbers indicated.

6. To drive a horse or horses at a rate faster than eight miles an hour.
7. To ride a horse at a rate faster than ten miles an hour: to ride a cycle at a rate faster than eight miles an hour, or contrary to the Law of the road, or without a bell or bicycle horn attached, or without a light at night.
8. To drive or ride any animal not well broken and under perfect control of the driver.
9. To walk on the drives or rides, except to cross them at the proper crossing places.

Mr. Darrows came before the Board and submitted a proposition from the executors of the Heber Estate, in regard to the removal of the house projecting into the parkway from said estate.

The proposition being embodied in a letter to the Secretary dated July 6, 1893, and also in a release drawn up by the City Conveyancer and submitted to the Board by Mr. Owen with the following form of vote which was adopted:

Whereas the executors of the will of Fred E. Heber, deceased, have, by an instrument dated July 10, 1893, released to the City all their right, title and interest in and to the dwelling house formerly belonging to said Heber, when of the larger part was taken by acts of this Board, passed April 29, and December 24, 1892, in consideration of said release it is hereby

Voted, that, in estimating the damages caused to

the Estate of said Heber by said takings, said dwelling house shall be reckoned as a total loss to said estate in the same manner as if wholly included in said takings.

Mr. Barrows agreed to procure the vicarage to the release in exchange for the vote.

Mr. Barrows was also requested to make similar arrangements with Mr. O' Donnell for the removal of his house on Weld Park and to sell both houses at public auction.

The City Engineer submitted the following:

" Boston July 10th 1893.

" Mr. Wm. Jackson, City Egr.

" Dear Sir: By our method of deliver-
 " ing broken stone on the driveways at the Marine
 " Park (with sloops) there will be intervals when
 " our men will be unable to work on unloading,
 " and for a small compensation, say 10 cents per
 " cu. yd. we would agree to do all the grading
 " of broken stone, which we think is far
 " cheaper than your men can do it and at the
 " same time allow us to have our men steadily
 " employed, Yours respectfully,

" Perkins and White."

Mr. Jackson stated that Perkins & White would probably do the work for seven cents per cubic yard and recommended that the work be given to them at that price. It was thereupon

Voted, that the City Engineer arrange with Messrs Perkins and White to do said work at the price recommended by him.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to appoint John H. Fowler, Superintendent of the Charlesbank Gymnasium in place of John Graham resigned.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to place wire fences around the magazines and water battery at Castle Island.

July 10. Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized
 1893. to erect a tent one hundred feet by thirty feet at
 Castle Island and furnish it with seats.
 Mr. Howe submitted the following estimate for a
 plank walk at Marine Park.

" Engineer Department, 50 City Hall
 " July 8th, 1893.

" Hon Paul W. Kendrick.

" Chairman Board of Park Commissioners.

" Dear Sir: I estimate the cost of building
 " a plank walk from Q street opposite Broadway
 " to Castle Island Bridge the walk to be eleven
 " hundred and fifty feet long and fifteen feet
 " wide at twelve hundred dollars.

" Respectfully, E. W. Howe, Asst. Engineer."

and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized
 to build a plank walk at Marine Park
 from the upland at the foot of Broadway
 to Castle Island bridge and transfer the electric
 lights to the line of said walk.

A communication was received from R. G. Amory
 regarding the advisability of permitting wheelmen
 to visit Castle Island with their wheels and com-
 plaining of unnecessarily vigorous treatment
 at the hands of the Park Police. The Secretary
 was directed to reply that bicycles are not allowed
 on the bridge or island and that the Board takes
 notice of his statement that no notices to that effect
 are posted on the bridge and regrets that he should
 be subjected to any annoyance on account of the
 absence of such notices.

Voted, that notices be posted on Castle Island bridge
 to the effect that Cycles are not allowed on the
 bridge or island.

The following was received:

" Boston, July 8, 1893.

" To the Park Commissioners, Boston, Dear Sir

" In accordance with your permission already
 " granted, the management of the Fresh Air Fund
 " will have picnics at Franklin Park during the
 " two weeks following July 9th. and if there is no
 " objection we would like to have music at the old
 " Folks Party, July 17th. Very truly,
 " Dictated D. W. Waldron."

and it was

Voted, that the management of the Fresh Air Fund
 be permitted to have music at the picnic for
 old folks July 17th as has been customary
 in past years.

The following was received:

(Boston, July 10th '93.
 " To the Hon. Park Commissioner of the City of Boston.
 " We the undersigned Committee of the R. G. Shaw
 " Veteran Association of the City of Boston would
 " most respectfully petition your honorable body,
 " to grant us the privilege of occupying the
 " Franklin Field in the City limits for a field
 " day and a social gathering to be held on
 " the 18th inst. In commemoration of the death
 " of our late Col. R. G. Shaw.
 " Respectfully submitted by us the Committee,
 " John Tillonon
 " 59 Cambridge St. J. E. O. Myers.
 " W. W. Scott. Chairman."

and it was

Voted, that the R. G. Shaw Veteran Association be
 permitted to occupy Franklin Field for a field
 day and social gathering on July 18th 1893.

Mr. Howe requested leave to take an extra week
 while on his vacation as he intended to visit
 Chicago and it was

Voted that one weeks leave of absence be granted
 to Mr. Howe in addition to the usual vacation.

Voted, that the final estimate under contract
 with John Sheehan for building bridges

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on Brookline Avenue be allowed and paid notwithstanding the time limit in said contract.
Voted, that the deeds of Frederick Ayer, Edward Thompson and Francis J. Ward of lands for Tremont entrance roads be accepted.

Voted, that the plan of Tremont Entrance prepared by the Landscape Architects, and dated June 12. 1893, be adopted, except where said plan includes land of A. W. Folsom, and that work proceed hereafter according to said plan instead of the plan adopted November 7. 1892.

Voted that the request of Messrs. Pike & Dunn for permission to place swings and fandangoes on Castle Island be granted under the usual permit.

The following communication from the City Solicitor in regard to the claim of James I. Brooks which was referred for opinion, was received and referred to Mr Sprague for further conference with the City Solicitor:

" Boston, July 10. 1893.

" George F. Clarke Esq.

" Secretary Board of Park Commissioners,

" Dear Sir: I know of no rights or interest
" which Mr. James I. Brooks has in the estate corner
" of Leaser street and Blue Hill Avenue, and I re-
" commend that the Board of Park Commissioners
" pay no attention to any communication from him
" relating thereto, except to refer him to me.

" Very truly yours

Andrew J. Bailey.

City Solicitor "

Adjourned to July 17 at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Boston, July 17, 1893.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present Messrs. Kendrick, Walker and Sprague, also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe and F. L. Olinde. The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. F. M. Welles came before the Board in reference to his claim for extra compensation for work done by him in connection with his contract for filling and grading at Wood Island Park. Mr. Welles stated that since the estimate of eleven thousand four hundred and fifty six cubic yards had been made by the Engineer, at which time he had put in thirteen thousand cubic yards, four thousand cubic yards more had been delivered making seventeen thousand cubic yards in all delivered for which the last estimate allows only twelve thousand two hundred and twenty two cubic yards showing a shrinkage owing to the settlement of the filling of about forty seven hundred cubic yards. Mr. Welles claimed that as this amount had been put in in excess of the amount called for under the contract which was estimated as eleven thousand cubic yards he should be paid an extra price for the excess of filling sufficient to reimburse him for his expenditures under the contract.

The matter was referred to Mr. Sprague, to confer with the City Engineer and Law Department and recommend a basis of settlement.

Mr. Charles T. Gallagher came before the Board in regard to the claim of the Choate Purnham Estate for damages for the taking of flats for the parkway Old Harbor. Mr. Gallagher said that he estimated the value of the flats taken and to be covered by the slope of the filling, about three hundred thousand square feet at five cents per

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square foot, and the value of the wharf probably affected at one hundred and twenty five thousand dollars. He said that the buildings and improvements cost Mr. Durnham somewhere near seventy six thousand dollars and that the income from one hundred thousand dollars would be less than the rental of the wharf. After some discussion the Commissioners offered eighty thousand dollars in settlement with an agreement providing for the closing of the Channel and asked Mr. Gallagher to consider it.

A hearing was given in the matter of the charges preferred against Officer Powderly by Mr. Alexander Fryer as set forth in his communication dated July 14, 1893, on file. Mr. Fryer repeated the statements set forth in his letter, and asked that he be recompensed for the damages to his bicycle. Mr. Charles F. Chase who said that he saw the occurrence, substantiated Mr. Fryers statements and said that the officer was to blame for the damage to the machine.

Officer Powderly stated that he was talking with another man at the Humboldt Avenue entrance when he noticed the bicycle coming through the entrance at a good rate of speed, should call it sixteen rather than eight miles per hour. He called out to the man to stop and stepped forward when the man ran in to him and they both went over. He intended to arrest him, but Mr. Fryer begged him not to as he could not be away from his business and he had injured his shoulder and broken his machine which he said was sufficient punishment. Officer Powderly said that he let him go and supposed that would be the end of the matter. Robert Courser who was with the officer at the time substantiated Officer Powderly's statement, and said that when the officer called to the man on the bicycle he appeared to put in all the harder. The officer stepped in front and the bicycle struck him and they both went over.

Mr. Fryer replied that he bent over the handle

bars to back pedal which was necessary owing to the down grade, but the officer did not give him time to stop. He denied that he rode fast.

Subsequently the Secretary was directed to notify Officer Proderby that the charges are dismissed on the ground that Fryer was riding in violation of the ordinances, and to advise more discretion in the future in similar cases, also to notify Mr. Fryer that the charges have been dismissed on said ground and that the Board cannot accede to the claim for damages.

Officer Smith came before the Board on a charge preferred by Mr. Anderson, who appeared early in the session, but was unable to wait for the hearing.

The Chairman stated that charges of clubbing had been made against Officer Smith while conducting a man off the planted ground at Marine park. Officer Smith stated that he used no club at the occurrence referred to, and Officers De Coursey and Field said that they saw the affair and that no club was used. A. W. Mc. Ginchey also said that Officer Smith merely shored the man off the grounds and that he saw no club used.

The hearing was closed and the Commissioner heard the statement of Officer Nugent in reply to the written charges of George E. Lathrop Jr. of conduct unbecoming an officer.

The charges in both the latter cases were dismissed. Mr. Howe submitted the following bids for granolithic walks in the winter, School master hill, Holbrook Grant & Co, two dollars and twenty five cents per square yard, J. R. Taylor twenty two cents per square foot, and Mr. Howe was directed to accept the latter offer.

A request was received from Andrew Garberry for thirty days extension of time under his contract for grading on the Arborway on account of delays caused by Harvard College in the removal of trees

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and shrubs and it was voted, that Andrew Barber's request for an extension of time for thirty days under his contract for grading on the Arborway be granted. Mr. Olmsted was requested to consider the matter of posting notices in the Country Park fixing a time for closing this part of Franklin Park to visitors at night, the Sergeant of Police having reported it impracticable to do so on the consideration of the Country Park as considerable numbers of people come there for lawless purposes.

The certificate of examination of Charles E. Keith for promotion to a sergeancy in the Park Police was received and placed on file.

The request of Charles Temple for permission to cut grass at Dorchester without payment for the same was granted, the work to be done to the satisfaction of the Sergeant of Police.

Mr. Howe stated that J. J. Lyons requests a permit to use a part of the parkway to place materials upon in building the stable for Mr. Queter, and the Secretary was directed to issue a permit as requested under the usual conditions.

A communication was received from S. W. Sharlow enclosing bill for filling placed on the strip of land adjacent to Frederick Street to the city for widening Fremont entrance and the matter was referred to the Secretary to obtain from the assessors office the proportion of taxes due upon said strip to be added to said bill for filling.

A bill from the Street Department for clearing snow from the tracks adjoining Union Station at night and Charlestown Playground was allowed and the Secretary was directed to notify the Street Department that this Department expects to be in condition to undertake this work in the future.

An account was received from the Water Department of the cost of laying a water pipe to Castle Island

which was allowed subject to the offset of six hundred and seventeen dollars and four cents due from the water department on account of the purchase of the Dredger and Scows from this Department.

Mayor's Circular No. 91, was received ^{read} and placed on file.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a grading plan of Beaver street from Maple street to Walnut Avenue dated July 18, 1893, which was approved and referred to the City Engineer.

A bill of John Mc. Namara for labor and materials on the Schoolmaster Bill Shelter, amounting to eight hundred and forty seven ⁶⁵ dollars, was received from the City Architect and approved, Mr. Howe stating that the bill was for alteration of the roof work due to the change of plan providing for a tile instead of a thatch roof.

Geo. F. Clarke.
Secy.

Doston July 24. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess. Kendrick and Sprague, Mr. Walker being absent from the City, Also present Messrs Jackson, Howe, and F. L. & J. C. Olmsted.

Mr. Jackson having to leave early submitted estimates of the cost of utilizing the Jamaica Pond ^{Pumping} Station for supplying water to the Parkway and Franklin Park. He also submitted form of contract and specifications for grading Beaver Street which were approved, the time limit in said contract to be September 1, 1894.

Mr. Charles J. Gallagher came before the Board and stated that the Purnham property was incumbered by leases amounting to sixteen hundred dollars per annum and having two years to run. He therefore asked that the Board

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Keep the channel open for two years at least, and as much longer as the work will allow.

The Commissioners replied that although they could give no guarantees the probability was that the channel would be open for that time at least. Mr. Gallagher also stated that interest should be allowed from the time of taking on the sum offered by the Board at the last meeting and with that understanding he hoped to get all the parties in interest to agree to the settlement.

Subsequently the Secretary was directed to reply to Mr. Gallagher that the attention of the Board having been called to the fact of the Burnham Estate being in receipt of income from the wharf property which will offset the interest on the claim for damages, it precludes the possibility of the Board's adding interest to the offer made to him at the last meeting.

Mr. Knutson submitted a revised plan of the Parkway South of Perkins Street showing cut on land of George S. Curtis, which Mr. Curtis, who was present, accepted with the change making the finished grade on his land the subgrade, and it was

Voted, that the plan with the change proposed by Mr. Curtis is approved and that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to carry out said plan.

Upon the request and representation of Councillor Donovan it was

Voted, that Frank A. Wade be granted permission to sell refreshments at Castle Island under the usual conditions when he files his application.

The plans for the building at Charleston Heights prepared by Truesdell & Kimball were approved, and it was

Voted, to authorized the Architects to advertise for bids for its construction.

Mr. Howe reported the need of an additional sub-Foreman on the Pick Day Pans, and it was

Voted, to authorize the Engineer in Charge to send a requisition to the Civil Service Commissioners

for candidates to fill paid vacancy.

Voted, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to erect a wire fence around the planted ground at Marine Park.

Voted, that the Secretary arrange with L. Foster Morse for the sale of the buildings on the Lewis Estate on Seaver Street.

Messrs Sturgis and Cabot submitted plans specifications and estimates for the proposed building to contain toilet and dressing rooms for the mens athletic grounds at Wood Island Park, and the plans were referred to the Landscape Architects.

At the request of Mr. C. J. Sullivan for an offer of settlement in the case of R. Turner, the Secretary was directed to notify him that the Board considers Three hundred and fifty dollars, sufficient damages in the case of land taken from R. Turner at Franklin Field, and that a settlement can be made on that basis, the City to assume betterments and the owner to restrict his remaining land to a set back of twenty feet from the park line.

The Secretary stated that the Fenway Land Company had requested the Board to light with oil lamps the Fenway between Charlesgate and Westland Avenue, and the Secretary was directed to reply that it does not seem advisable to set up oil lamps for the short time required to contract for and establish the electric lighting plant which has been determined on and only awaits the Mayor's approval.

A petition was received from James S. Gorman and others against the proposed construction of a bath house at Jamaica Pond, which was read and placed on file.

The application of E. P. Cook for leave to operate a steam merry-go-round on Franklin

July 24. Park near Blue Hill Avenue was received and placed on file.
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The application of P. Mc. Dermott Esq. for permission to establish a carriage service in Franklin Park, and request for a hearing, was received and laid over, pending a reply from Oacon & Tarbell to the Commissioner's letter regarding additional facilities for the accommodation of the public.

The Secretary was directed to call the attention of Mess. Oacon & Tarbell to a report that the carriage stand at Franklin Park is not always found in a neat condition, and that the Board expects them to keep it so in the future, also to inquire of them what steps they have taken to further accommodate the public in the manner referred to in the communication from the Board of June 30th. last.

The application of J. W. Hurley for permission to sell refreshments at South Island was received and placed on file.

A communication was received from John P. Leach Secy. tendering the commissions tickets for the picnic of Park Employees, and the Secretary was directed to thank the Committee for their courtesy in extending said invitation to the Board.

A report was received from Sergeant Keith in the case of Officer James Riley absent on sick leave which was read and the Secretary was directed to notify the Sergeant to suspend officer Riley from duty until further notice, and call a reserve officer to fill his place.

At the suggestion of Mr. Howe the Secretary was directed to visit to East Boston, referring to his letter of June 30th regarding the temporary closing of Brookline Avenue during the filling of the Avenue and adjoining parkway, and notify him that the filling has now been completed and the Board has ordered the removal of the barriers.

The Secretary was directed to notify the City Engineer.

that the Board desires to have a section of the Riverway from Audubon Road to Tremont Street finished by the Paving Department, if satisfactory arrangements can be made therefore with the approval of the Mayor, and to give the matter early attention so that work can begin as soon as possible.

Mr. Howe reported the following bids received by him for furnishing Broken Stone at Charlestown Heights.

Massachusetts Broken Stone Co.	2.45 per cu. yard
Pigeon Hill Granite Co.	2.65 " " "
M. E. Nawn.	3.25 " " "
H. P. Nawn.	3.50 " " "

and the bid of the Massachusetts Broken Stone company was accepted.

The following was received:

"Whereas by the acts of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of Boston, passed April 29th and December 24th 1892, certain lands in Boston on Centre Street were taken as the property of Anna O' Donnell wife of John O' Donnell in which takings was included a part of the dwelling house belonging to the said O' Donnell, and whereas said Board desires to convert to the use of said City the whole of said dwelling house,

"Now therefore I Anna O' Donnell hereby release to said City all my right, title, and interest in and to said dwelling house, and consent that said City may sell and remove the same, and convert the proceeds thereof to its own use, provided and upon condition that said Board of Park Commissioners shall by prior vote agree that, in estimating the damages to the ^{said} O' Donnell estate caused by said takings, the value of said dwelling house shall be included as a total loss to said Estate.

"Witness my hand and seal this tenth day of July 1893.

Anna O' Donnell. Seal

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and the following vote was passed
Whereas Arina O' Donnell has by an instrument dated July 10, 1893, released to the City all her right, title, and interest in and to the dwelling house formerly belonging to her, whereof a part was taken by act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, in consideration of said release it is hereby
Voted, that in estimating the damages caused to the estate of said O' Donnell by said taking said dwelling house shall be reckoned as a total loss to said estate in the same manner as if wholly included in said taking.

The Chairman submitted the offer of Amos D. Gould, for a settlement of his damages for the taking of his estate corner of Tavor Street and Walnut Avenue on a basis of sixty five cents per square foot with interest from the time of taking. The Chairman recommended the acceptance of the offer and it was,

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed March 27, 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Amos D. Gould, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Amos D. Gould the sum of Twenty three thousand and forty-five and $\frac{80}{100}$ dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for public parks.

Adjourned to July 31st, at 2.30 P. M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, July 28, 1893.

A special meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at the Mayor's office at 2 P. M. Present Mess. Kendrick and Sprague. Mr. Walker being absent from the City, also present the Corporation Counsel, City Engineer and Superintendent of Streets.

The following communication was received:

"Office of the Mayor, July 26, 1893.

"To the Board of Park Commissioners.

"Gentlemen: - I write to impress upon
"you the desirability of going & promptly show in
"respect to new work in view of the present fi-
"nancial condition. We had supposed that
"the Sinking Fund Commissioners would be willing,
"as they usually are, to take our 4% bonds at par.
"A meeting of the Commissioners was held to-
"day, however, and although a quorum was
"not present the unanimous opinion of the three
"gentlemen who were present was that they ought
"not to take any city bonds for the sinking funds,
"and in favor of attempting to place a loan upon
"the market. We have accordingly advertised one
"million dollars of bonds. If these are taken the
"situation will be comparatively easy. If, however,
"no bids should be received the condition of things
"would be precarious, and it would be necessary
"to abstain from undertaking any new work for the
"present. These observations, I think, apply to the
"proposed takings for the North End park, and also
"to settlements on account of prior takings, as well as
"to contracts for new work. It may become
"necessary to shut down on all classes of work
"except that to which the City is already obligated
"by written contract; but in any event the utmost
"caution must be exercised in respect to the new
"work. I should therefore ^{recommend} postponing all further
"contracts in your department, all further takings

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" of land, all further awards, and also the drawing
" of drafts that can be postponed, until it can be ascer-
" tained whether this loan will be accepted or not.

" Yours very truly,

" N. Matthews Jr. per M. "

and the Commissioners discussed with the Mayor
the matters about which he had written.

With the consent of the Mayor an arrangement
was entered into with the Superintendent of Streets
to have him do the work of laying drains and
building catch basins and surfacing the Riverway
between Audubon Road and Tremont Street, under
the direction of the Engineer of this Board.

Geo. H. Belarke.
Secy.

Boston July 31, 1893.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park
Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.
Present Messrs. Kendrickson, Walker and Sprague,
also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe, and J. C. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting and special meet-
ing of July 28 were read and approved.

The following bids were received for grading
at Wood Island Park and were publicly opened
and read:

Items and Estimated Quantities		Coleman & Sahy. Everett. Mass.	D' Connor & Rich Boston.	H. B. Haver. Boston.	R. D. Shanahan. Boston.	John H. Peters. Dorchester.	James Killian Boston.	Robt. A. Davis. Boston.	Frank J. Hannan Boston.
a	27,000 cu. yds. Loam Excavation.	0.29 7830.	0.30 8100.	0.30 8100.	0.37 9990.	0.38 10395.	0.40 10800.	0.47 12690.	0.37 9990.
b	35,000 cu. yds. Earth Excavation.	0.37 20350.	0.40 22000.	0.47 25850.	0.47 25350.	0.50 25800.	0.50 27500.	0.50 27500.	0.57 21350.
c	100 Cub. yds. Rock Excavation.	1.29 129.	0.25 25.	1.00 100.	1.25 125.	2.00 200.	2.00 200.	2.00 200.	1.00 100.
Totals.		28309	20125	24000	25965	26370	28500	20290	21490

Andrew Carney E. Walpole.	James Clifford, Construction Co. Newcastle, N.C.	Thomas A. Davis & David H. Hall, Boston.	Wearing & Booth, Boston.
0.43 11.610	0.39 10.530	0.68 12.960	0.77 20.790
0.66 36.300	0.69 37.950	0.54 46.200	0.75 21.250.
1.50 1.50.	1.50 1.50.	1.15 1.15.	3.00 3.00.
\$ 1.060	\$ 28.630	\$ 59.355	\$ 62.340

The bids were taken under advise-
ment and the City Engineer was
requested to inquire into the
standing of Coleman and Lamy
and their ability to do the work.

A communication was sent to the Board of Alder-
men in regard to the granting of a permit to the
American Express Company to build a stable upon
State wharf.

Messrs Bacon and Tarbell came before the Board
and stated that they ^{had} thought it would not be advisa-
ble to put smaller carriages on the park service, as
the present carriages were run regularly on schedule
time which served the purpose on ordinary occa-
sions, and at other times these carriages were insuffi-
cient to meet the demand. The long waits occ-
urred at these times when all the carriages were
out, and more large carriages were needed to meet
the demand at such times. The Commissioners
expressed the opinion that three or four carriages to
carry five besides the driver should be provided as
soon as possible.

A communication was also received from Messrs
Bacon & Tarbell in regard to the care of the carriage
stand, and the convenience of stop over passengers,
which was read and placed on file.

Mr. J. W. Deal representing Mr. H. H. Rector, came
before the Board to request that the Board take

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action in the matter of joining him in the building of a retaining wall upon his Estate adjoining the Parkway. Subsequently the Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Deal that the Board sees no reason for making any change in its former proposition in regard to building a wall upon Mr. Rustin's Estate.

Mr. J. W. Horne came before the Board to ask for a settlement of the damages for the taking of three estates on Beaver Street belonging to him. Mr. Horne said he would accept 65 cents per foot for the land and seven ^{for the buildings} thousand dollars, with interest, which offer the commissioners declined.

A hearing was given to Officer James Riley suspended on account of misusing leave of absence for sickness. Officer Riley stated that the sickness was neuralgia, and although not severe enough to confine him at home, he was unable to work. He was away from home when the Sergeant called having visited East Boston and spent one night at Nantasket Beach. After admonishing him the Board directed that the Sergeant restore him to duty.

The request of Edward W. Brewer to know if the Board is prepared to make an offer for the land taken from the Brewer Estate for park purposes was referred to the Secretary to confer with Mr. Brewer as to a basis of settlement.

The request of Thomas F. Proderick for leave to move a building through the Arborway from Weld Park to Goldsmith Street was granted, the work to be done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Engineer in Charge.

The request of G. A. Nickerson for payment of a bill for glazing, amounting to twenty six ²⁶/₁₀₀ dollars, on account of damages to green house by blasting on the Parkway and the request of Frank A. Heavens that the slope on the Heavens Estate be made at

a grade of four to one were referred to the Engineer in Charge for examination and report.

Communications were received from the Superintendent of Streets in regard to the Construction of a channel from the Arnold Arboretum to Stony Brook and to putting Brookline Avenue at the Parkway in condition fit for public travel which were read and placed on file.

A communication was received from Perkins and White requesting that an allowance for excessive settlement of filling be made to them in the final estimate under their contract. The matter was deferred until the next meeting.

The application of John Coughlin for a permit to sell refreshments at Cattle Island was granted on the usual conditions.

The following was received:

" - July 31, 1893.

" To the Board of Park Commissioners.

" Gentlemen: I recommend that the final payment be made to W. L. Miller on account of his contract for building a bridge over Stony Brook waiving the right to defer payment forty days from date of final estimate.

" Yours truly,

" William Jackson, City Engineer."

and it was

Voted, that the final estimate of work done under the contract with W. L. Miller for building a bridge over Stony Brook be allowed and paid notwithstanding the right reserved in said contract to defer payment for forty days from the completion of the work.

Voted, that the assistant Landscape Gardener be requested to report to this Board upon the condition of the trees in the public parks, and what recommendation he has to make in regard to improving their condition.

Mr. Winsted submitted a

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Sketch plan of athletic building for Charlestown
Playground.

Geo. F. Laraca,
Secy.

Boston, August 7, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners
was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Messrs. Kendrickson, Walker & Sprague,
also present Messrs. Jackson, Stone and P. L. & J. C.
Clinton.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.
The following bids were received for grading on Beaver
Street and were publicly opened and read.

John B. McP. Nawn & Co.,
Drovers, Boston, & White,
Drovers, Boston.
No. 1 No. 2 No. 3.

a	15,000 cu. yds. loam stripping	27 ²	4125	.30	4500.	.30	4500.
b	11,000 " " earth excavation	36	3960.	.47	5170.	.45	4950
c	12,000 " " rock "	147	17640	1.47	17,640	1.50	18000
			\$ 25.725		\$ 27.310		\$ 27.50

John C. James Frank J.
Coleman, William. Hannan.
Boston, Boston, So. Boston.
No. 4. No. 5. No. 6.

a	15,000 cu. yds. loam stripping	36 ²	5475	.39	5850.	.35	5250.
b	11,000 " " earth excavation	42 ²	4675	.34	3740.	.43	4730.
c	12,000 " " rock "	147 ²	17,700	1.55	18600.	1.55	18,600.
			\$ 27.850		\$ 28.190		\$ 28.580

James Christy August
Hogan, Mc Bride, Salcier.
Ashland, Brighton, So. Framingham.
No. 7. No. 8. No. 9.

a	15,000 cu. yds. loam stripping	30	4500.	.43	6450.	.38	5700.
b	11,000 " " earth excavation	45	4950.	.43	4730	.50	5500.
c	17,000 " " rock "	175	21,000	2.00	24,000	2.00	24,000.
			\$ 30.450		\$ 35.180		\$ 35.200

	Normal (V)	1. S. S. Sells	2. S. S. Sells	3. S. S. Sells
a. 15,000 cu. yds. loam stripping	.50	7500.	0.35 5250.	.34 5100.
b. 11,000 " " earth excavation	.50	5500.	0.46 5060	.48 5280.
c. 12,000 " " rock	1.00	21,000	2.25 27,000	2.25 27,000.
		\$37,000.	\$37,310.	\$37,380.

	Mr. Cochran. Roll. A.	Chas. Lincoln.		
	Brighton.	Boston. Cambridge.		
	No. 13.	No. 14. No. 15.		
a	15,000 cu. yds. team shipping. .46	6900. .49	7350. .45	6750
b	11,000 " " earth & caratins. .48	5280. .45	4950. .50	5500
c	12,000 " " rock " 2.25	27,000 2.48	29,760 2.50	30,000
		\$ 39,180.	\$ 42,060.	\$ 42,250.

		J. Mc. Carthy and Son. Boston.	Nath. Con- nition Co. Boston.
		No. 16	No. 17
A.	15,000 cu. yds. loam stripping .62	9300.58	8700.
B.	11,000 " " earth excavation .52	5720.60	6600.
C.	12,000 " " rock " 2.28	27,360	28,800.
		\$ 42,380.	\$ 44,100.

Mr. Seth Perkins came before the Board in the matter of his claim for allowance for excessive settlement of the filling under his contract at Marine Park. The Commissioners heard Mr. Perkins' statement which was similar to that set forth in his communication received at the last meeting and subsequently it was Voted, that the Chairman confer with Mr. Perkins, with a view to a settlement of the matter by an allowance of 7500 cubic yards.

Mr. J. B. Patten came before the Board to ask that a coping be placed on the wall which the Department is erecting at his Estate and that additional stone steps be added to those now being built as required by the high grade of the land

Mr. Howe stated that by the use of boulders on top of the wall for a short distance near the house the coving could be unnecessary & it was

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Voted, that the Engineer in Charge arrange to provide the necessary steps as requested by Mr. Totten. Mr. Ralph W. Dean came before the Board and stated that he could break up and remove the top part of the old dry dock, now on the beach at K. Street by September 1st, but that he would be unable to do any thing with the bottom part.

The Commissioners agreed to allow him until September 1st to remove the top part.

The Secretary stated that Mr. Gallagher had arranged with Mr. Turner to take bonds for the whole or a large part of the eighty thousand dollars which it was proposed to pay the Choate Purnham Estate in settlement of damages and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board, passed April 29, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land in or near Old Harbor, so called, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Dorchester, belonging to several persons or parties whereof two certain parcels of land or flats belonged to Choate Purnham, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to Charles J. Gallagher, Eliza B. Mills and Isabel G. Purnham, Trustees under the Will of said Choate Purnham, the sum of Eighty thousand dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, including all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, South Boston, and an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, also a release of all the rights of access by water to their remaining land or flats which were reserved to said Choate Purnham and his heirs and assigns in said taking, and also a grant to said city of the right to construct and forever maintain an embankment of solid

getting in and upon the land or flat thereby conveyed and in part of their remaining land and flats, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for public parks.

The chairman stated that Mr. John W. Horne had agreed to accept sixty cents per foot for the land and seven thousand dollars for the building taken from him on Beaver Street, with interest from the time of taking, and it was

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed March 27, 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on Beaver Street, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Roxbury, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to John W. Horne, and a certain other parcel of land was supposed to belong to Susan W. Long as appears by said act, there he awarded and paid to the said John W. Horne the sum of Thirty-two thousand eight hundred and thirty-three and 2/10 dollars upon his proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damage costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Voted, ^{that} whereas by an act of this Board, passed March 27, 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on Beaver Street, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Roxbury, belonging to several persons and parties,

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whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Matilda F. Horne, as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Matilda F. Horne the sum of seven thousand nine hundred and fifty-nine and 100 dollars upon her proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs, and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment, said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Plans for a building to be erected at Scarborough Pond prepared by the City Architect were submitted and referred back to the City Architect to procure estimates on the plans as presented but with the substitution of cypress shingles in place of tiles.

Mr. Olmsted's plan for a building at Charleston Playground to provide accommodations for the men's and women's Gymnasiums presented at the last meeting also plans for bath houses at Wood Island Park and portion of same to be erected at once, presented this day were referred to Mess. Olmsted to confer with Mess. Morris & Cabot, and procure designs for said buildings.

The following was received:

" Office of the Mayor. August 5, 1893..
" Paul H. Kendrick Esq.

" Chairman Park Commission.

" Dear Sir: Have you got any report from
" Mr. Olmsted yet in regard to the Beacon Street
" embankment or the connection at Muddy Joint
" Woods?

Yours very truly
" A. Matthews Jr.

" per M. "

and the Secretary was directed to reply that Mr. Olmsted will require some two weeks in order to complete his report upon the Beacon Street Embankment

at which time the Mayor will be notified and his presence requested at a meeting of the Board to hear the report.

The following was received:

"Boston, August 1, 1893

"Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State Street.

"Gentlemen: Having to the settlement of Beacon Street, between Charles Gate West and the sluice-gates, it is impossible to drain off the water which accumulates in the gutters. In order to repair these gutters, it will be necessary to reset the edgestones, and as these edgestones were set by the Park Department, will you be kind enough to inform me whether or not your board will do the necessary work of resetting. Yours truly.

"H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets."

and the Secretary was directed to reply that as regards the settling of the curbs the Board is of opinion that the care and maintenance of the curbstones lie with his Department, they having originally been set by this Department for the purpose of substituting a fine hammered curb for the round street curb and that he does not think that what is needed at this point is a catch basin.

The following was received read and placed on file:

"In Board of Aldermen, July 31, 1893.

"Resolved, That, in the opinion of this Board, the operating of flying horses or other amusements should be prohibited on the public parks in the City of Boston, on the Lord's Day.

"Adopted.

"A true copy.

"Attest: John J. Priest.

"Asst. City Clerk."

A communication was received from Messrs. Rolch & Tilden enclosing plan of proposed drainage to the plumbing of Ellwood's Cottage which was

Augt. 7. read and placed on file.

1893. The following was received and referred to the Engineer in charge:

"Water & Income Department

"Boston, August, 3. 1893.

"To the Park Commission,

"Gentlemen:

Your are hereby re-

"quested to inform all employees in your Department

"who may have occasion, in the future, to open

"hydrants, to make application for a permit therefor

"to the Water Registrar.

"Very truly yours. C. J. Doherty,

"Water Registrar. C."

Resolved, that the bill of Dr Arthur J. Perry for services in the case of Rudolph Streiter, injured at Franklin Park July 4th be approved.

Resolved, that Mr. Hove's assistants be authorized to approve the bills during his absence from the City

A report from the assistant Landscape Gardener upon the condition of trees in the Public Parks was submitted and referred to the Landscape Architects and it was

Resolved, that the Landscape Architects Advisory be requested to report to this Board upon the condition of the trees in the Public Parks, and what recommendation they have to make in regard to improving their condition.

Resolved, that the Deed of William Stanford Stevens of all his right title and interest in a parcel of land, being a portion of Pond Street at Five Corners, Dorchester and shown on a plan signed by J. O. Whitney, Surveyor, dated July 20. 1893, and to be recorded with said deed be approved and accepted and that the Landscape Architects conform the plan of the Parkway to the new park line established by said deed.

Resolved, that the Engineer in charge be authorized to purchase broken stone for ^{the} Parkway with the consent of the Mayor provided it can be obtained for

a dollar or less per yard.

Geo. F. Belarke,
Secy.

Boston, Aug. 11, 1893

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Mess. Kendrick and Sprague, Mr. Walker being absent from the City, also present Mess. Mr. Jackson and F. L. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

The final estimate under the contract with the Boston and Albany Railroad Company for filling on the Parkway, which exceeded the amount of filling hitherto authorized to be done, was presented by Mr. Jackson and approved by the Board for payment in the usual course.

A communication was received from Augustus Parker giving notice of intention to claim damages for injuries to his property caused by blasting on Searer Street, and the Secretary was directed to request the Engineer in charge to cover holes and use more than ordinary care in blasting and inform Mr. Parker of this action.

A communication was received from James Swift complaining of abusive treatment by a teamster employed by the Department at Charlestown Heights, which was referred to the City Engineer to investigate the matter as requested by Mr. Swift, and the Secretary was directed to notify him accordingly.

The application of C. H. Mc. Mullin for leave to exhibit a strength testing machine at Charlestown Playground was received and it was Voted, in expedient to grant the request.

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1893. on Castle Island for this season.

A communication was received from Mess. Rotch & Tilden in regard to a change of plan in the cellar of the Ellicott Cottage and was referred to Mr. Olmsted with full power.

The revised plans for the Athletic building for Wood Island Park were received from Mess. Sturgis & Cabot and laid over.

The secretary was directed to notify Mr. Rueter that the time having expired within which he was permitted to occupy the stable on the Perkins Estate, the Board desires him to vacate the same immediately.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Doston, August 21, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Mess. Kendrick and Sprague, Mr. Waker being absent from the city, also present Mess. William Jackson and F. L. & J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

Mr. H. H. Rueter came before the Board in reference to the notice to vacate the stable on the Perkins place. Mr. Rueter said that he would absolutely know not, what to do if required to give up the stable and that he would like to be permitted to occupy it until his new stable is completed. He denied that he had threatened to sue the city for grade damages to his land and hopes that the Commissioners would allow him one thousand dollars towards his wall which he intended making an ornamental feature of the Parkway. It was Voted, that Mr. Rueter be allowed to occupy the stable on the Perkins Estate until his new stable is completed.

Councilman O'Brien asked if a permit could be

obtained for Norman Doyle to operate the game called African dodger on the Charleston Playground.

The Commissioners replied that they had determined to grant no permits for such purposes on Charleston Playground.

Mr. St. P. Nawn came before the Board and said that in case the contract for grading on Seaver Street or at Wood Island Park were awarded to him he would agree to take the City bonds in payment for the work.

The Chairman stated that he had looked into the matter of the qualifications of John W. Bowers for undertaking the contract of grading on Seaver Street, and had come to the conclusion that the contract should not be awarded to him owing to his lack of experience and a suitable plant for doing the work. It was thereupon

Voted, that the bid of John W. Bowers received under the advertisement for bids for grading on Seaver Street be rejected on the ground that he is not qualified to do the work, he having no experience in such work and no plant or equipment for doing the same, and that the consent of the Mayor be asked to the awarding of the contract to St. P. Nawn the next lowest bidder.

The Chairman also stated that Coleman and Lahry had requested leave to withdraw their bid for grading at Wood Island Park, O'Connor & White being the next lowest bidder and at his suggestion action was postponed until the Engineer in Charge can examine and report upon their qualifications for doing the work.

Messrs H. D. Hyde and G. D. Braman came before the Board to request that access be given to their houses on the Fenway by the removal of the barriers and the erection of lights between Charlesgate and Westland Entrance as one of the houses will soon be occupied and the Secretary was directed to notify the Sergeant of Police to open the road

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way of the Fens at night from Charlesgate bridge to Westland Entrance, and to write the Mayor suggesting the importance of an early settlement of the question of lighting the Fens.

A communication was received from the Mayor in regard to financial matters and suggesting the extension of the bridle path in Franklin Park, which was laid on the table. Mr. Olmsted said he advised against any extension of the bridle path in Franklin Park owing to its great expense, its interference with the general plan and because it would be intersected frequently by roads and walks.

A communication was received from the Mayor enclosing a bill of the Engineering Department for services amounting to forty five hundred and $50^{\frac{00}{100}}$ dollars, and requesting the payment of pay rolls and bills of the Engineering Department for a like amount, and the Chairman was authorized to approve bills and pay rolls of the Engineering Department to said amount.

A report of the Landscape Architects Advisory upon the condition of the trees in the Public Parks, was received, read and placed on file.

The application of Jeremiah J. and John J. Driscoll for leave to exhibit a strength testing machine, on Charlestown Playground on Saturday evenings was received and permission refused.

The application of Gilman J. Raymond for permission to let and sell skates and skate straps at Jamaica Pond and for extension of permission to sharpen skates granted last winter, was received and laid on the table.

Notice to James Killian to make alterations in retaining wall between Longwood Avenue and Francis Street, according to plan dated August 16, 1893, was received from the City Engineer and approved by the Board.

A communication was received from Clarissa A. and Clara F. Pierce requesting to be allowed to occupy their house at corner of Prince and Pond streets until May 1, 1894, and the matter was laid on the table until the return of

the Engineer in Charge.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to make a contract with Collins & Ham or other parties to open a drain through the parkway near Mount Vernon street.

Voted, that the City Engineer be requested to make plans and specifications for laying a pipe to Franklin Park as estimated to him in his letter of July 24, 1893. also to report upon the plans for bridge road bridge at the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Jackson submitted the following prices which he had obtained for stone ballast to be delivered on the Parkway between the Back Bay Ponds and Belmont St.

James Killian. \$ 1.25 per cu. yd.

Mark Lynch. 2.00 " " "

John C. Coleman. 1.35 " " "

W. F. Kelly

East of Brookline ave. 1.00 " " "

West " " " 1.25 " " "

and it was

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to purchase ballast for the Parkway west of Brookline Avenue for not exceeding \$ 1.25 per cubic yard.

Mr. Olmsted submitted preliminary plans for a North End Park, for a Parkway extending from Arnold Arboretum to Muddy Pond Woods, and for a shelter for Dorchester Park.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, August 29, 1893.
A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.
Present Mess. Kendrick, Walker & Sprague
also present Mess. Wm. Jackson, and J. C.

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The record of the last meeting was read and approved.

A hearing was given to a Committee of the Knights of Labor upon its request that more work be done by day labor and less by contract. Mess. N. J. Quinn and George Tyler of the Committee came before the Board and said that there were many citizens whose names are on the Civil Service rolls waiting to be called for work while contractors, especially those upon the Wood Island Park and Muddy River work, employ foreigners or those at least who are not citizens. If more work were done by day labor many of the men whose names are on the Civil Service lists would be given work.

The Commissioners replied that the Board feels that the work is being done under the present system to the best advantage of the City it seeming from time to time more desirable to do some work by contract than by day labor, such as the erection of buildings and bridges, and some rough grading, most of the finished work being done by day labor.

A hearing was given to G. S. McFarland and others upon their petition complaining of unjust treatment by the Boston Cricket Club and requesting that the rights granted to said Club in Franklin Field be abrogated. Statements were made similar to those set forth in the petition which was placed on file, and the Commissioners agreed to take the matter under consideration. Subsequently the Secretary was directed to write to the Secretary of the Boston Cricket Club that having reference to the recent trial of its Superintendent for assault at Franklin Field, no person representing the Boston Cricket Club has any right to assume police powers on said field, and to request him to appear at the next meeting of the Board in order that he may have

a full understanding of the rights of the Club in regard to the matter.

Mr. Andrew Carberry came before the Board and stated that he had lost a great deal of money by the contract for grading on Arborway on account of the delay caused by the Director of the Arboretum failing to remove trees and shrubs in the line of the work in due season, and also on account of his removing a quantity of soil within the lines of the contract, and asked that he might be allowed a larger price for the further grading necessary to be done in order to compensate him in part for the loss due to the interference above mentioned.

At the suggestion of the Chairman the matter was postponed until the return of the Engineer in Charge.

Mr. Michael Meehan of Jones & Meehan stated that there was a difference between them and the City Engineer in regard to their being charged for the material excavated for the foundations of Audubon bridge and used in the construction of the abutments. He said the City has never charged before for material taken in the same way from the site of the structure to be used in the construction of the works, and he objected to being compelled to pay for such material under the present contract.

Subsequently after discussion it was Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to make up the final estimate under the contract with Jones & Meehan without deduction on account of the excavated material used in the work.

Mr. Jackson reported that the plans for the bridle road bridge in the Riverway could be finished in about one week.

A communication was received from Augustus

Sept. 29. Parker complaining of further annoyance from
1893. blasting on Beaver Street and it was
Voted, that the Chairman suspend the work of
blasting on the Beaver Street ledge if in his
judgment he deems it advisable.

The following was received:

Boston August 21. 1893.

Board of Park Commissioners,

53 State St.

Gentlemen:

Will you be
kind enough to inform me whether or not your
department has any use for the following described
stone? About 150 feet of hammered, 8-inch, flat
top park edge stone, with hammered ^{plumb} 8-inch face,
and one rounded edge. This stone is cut to the
regular dimensions of the park edgestone, and was
furnished this department under a mistake: and I
desire to dispose of this stone, if possible.

Yours truly, H. H. Carter, Supt. of Streets.

and it was

Voted, that the offer to sell the curbstones be accep-
ted if the Engineer thinks the quality and
price is satisfactory.

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed
May 19. 1892, a public park was located and
laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee
certain parcels of land at or near Vabot and
Blue Hill Wreeries in Dorchester, belonging to
several persons and parties whereof a certain
parcel of land belonged to Robert Turner, as
appears by said act, there be awarded and paid
to the said Robert Turner, the sum of three
hundred and fifty dollars upon his proving
title thereto and giving a deed for the same,
and an agreement to hold his remaining
land subject to the restriction that no building
shall be erected within twenty feet of the exterior
line of said park excepting the usual pro-

jections therefrom permitted in the printed form of Public Park Deed; also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor: and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment: said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks. The application of A. H. Beughins for permission to sell temperance drinks at Charlestant on Labor day was refused.

Voted, that the contract for grading on Beaver Street be awarded to H. P. Nawn, with the understanding that City bonds will be taken in payment for the work if required by the City.

Voted, that the amount of bonds required for the fulfillment of said contract be fixed at ten thousand dollars, the bondsmen to be canvassed and approved by the Chairman.

Voted, that the bid of Claman & Lamy for grading at Wood Island Park be rejected on account of their inexperience and want of a suitable equipment for doing said work and that the Chairman confer with O'Connor & White the next lowest bidders as to their qualifications for doing the work and their willingness to accept bonds in payment therefor.

Mr. Howes request for the extension of his vacation until September 5 was granted.

A communication was received from the Mayor in regard to the proposition to lay underground cables for the electric light plant at Back Bay Fens, and was referred to the Chairman for reply.

The Mayor's approval of the contract with Perkins & White as proposed in the letter of the Board of August 18, 1893, was received and placed on file.

A petition was received from Jos. M. Wade and others requesting the extension of Dorchesterway

Augt. 29. from Five Corners to Upham's corner and was laid
 1893. on the table, the Chairman stating that the petitioners
 desired a hearing.

Geo. F. Larlee,
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Boston September 5. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M.

Present Mess. Kendrick, Walker and Sprague, also present Mess. Jackson, Howe and J. C. Olmsted.

The record of the last meeting was read and approved. Mr. Robert Turner, Secretary of the Boston Cricket Club came before the Board and said that the Club did not uphold its Superintendent in his action in connection with the assault case at Franklin Field and was sorry that the affair had occurred. They had given him a severe talking to and obliged him to pay the fines.

Mr. Turner said that they practised on Monday Wednesday and Friday evenings and played match games on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons and that they had no objection to the grounds being used in a proper way at other times.

The Commissioners called his attention to the fact that the Club could have no exclusive rights in the grounds and that hereafter the Park Police should be called upon to settle any dispute which may arise in connection with the use of the grounds.

The request of Andrew Barberry made at the last meeting of the Board was referred to Mr. Sprague as a sub committee to confer with the Engineer in charge and take such action as he thinks necessary under the circumstances.

On the recommendation of the City Engineer it was Voted, that the final estimate of work done under the contract with Russell & Snowling for grading

on the Parkway between Washington and Forest Hills streets be allowed and paid notwithstanding the right reserved in said contract to defer payment for forty days from the completion of the work.

A communication was received from the Corporation council approving form of votes to authorize the New England Telephone & Telegraph Co. to lay a conduit in Charlesgate West and erect temporary poles across the Riverway at Brookline Avenue, and the form of bond to be furnished by said Company.

Voted: That permission be and it is hereby granted to the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts to construct and maintain under the surface of the parkway known as Charlesgate West between Beacon Street and the water front, underground conduits, manholes and house connections with the wires and cables to be placed therein as shown on the plan submitted by said Company dated the 15th day of August current and filed with its petition for this permit.

The above permit is granted subject to the following provisions and regulations.

Said Company shall furnish in its said conduits accommodations for all wires belonging to or to be used by the City, free of charge, whenever requested to do so by the Mayor. Shall remove the location of the conduits and wires whenever directed and not until directed so to do by the Board of Park Commissioners and shall not disturb or interfere with any wires, pipes or sewers lawfully laid in such parkway or connected therewith.

All work under this permit shall be done to the satisfaction of this board.

No work shall be done under this permit until

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said Company shall furnish a bond with surety in form satisfactory to the Corporation Council conditioned to save the City harmless from any loss, cost or damage in any way arising from the privileges granted by this permit and any work to be done thereunder and to fulfil its obligations under the provisions of this permit.

Resolved: That permission be and it is hereby granted to The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts to erect and for a period of not exceeding two years to maintain poles with the wires thereon in the park near Brookline Avenue as shown on the plan submitted by said company, dated the 18th day of August current and filed with its petition for this permit.

The above permit is granted subject to the following provisions and regulations:

Said Company shall keep said poles well painted and in good condition to the satisfaction of the Board of Park Commissioners: shall place the wires on said poles not less than twenty-five feet from the ground: shall keep the name of the company owning the poles distinctly painted on the cross bars used and occupied by it on said poles: shall allow the departments of the City the exclusive use of the upper cross bar and top of each pole free of all charge for the purpose of placing wires thereon: shall not suffer or permit any other person to place or keep wires on said poles or upon the fixtures thereto affixed without permission being first obtained in writing from this Board: shall not remove any pole erected under this permit until and shall remove the location of any pole when directed by this Board so to do; and that in violation of any of the foregoing requirements said Board may remove said poles at the expense of the owner thereof.

All work under this permit shall be done to

the satisfaction of the Board of Park Commissioners.

No work shall be done under this permit until said Company shall furnish a bond with surety in form satisfactory to the Corporation Council conditioned to save the City harmless from any loss, cost or damage in any way arising from the privileges granted by this permit and any work to be done thereunder and to fulfil its obligations under the provisions of this permit.

A communication was received from Mrs. Kate C. Page requesting that Westland Entrance be fenced and put in order and referred to the Landscape Architects for examination and report.

Voted, that the building permit of Thomas J. Lyons be extended to June 1, 1893.

Voted, that the petition of P. Mc. Dermott & Co. for leave to stand two carriages at the Carriage Shelter Franklin Park for the purpose of accommodating people wishing to ride through the park be rejected.

The preliminary sketch plans for Bath houses at Wood Island Park and for the Athletic building at Charlestown Playground were referred back to Messrs. Sturgis & Cabot with directions to complete the plans with modifications suggested by Mr. Olmsted.

The request of Officer Charles A. Gilman for leave to take his two weeks' vacation commencing September 23^d was granted.

Geo. F. Clarke,
Secy.

Boston, September 25, 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P. M.

Present Messrs. Kendrick & Baker and Sprague also present Messrs. Jackson, Howe & J. C. Olmsted.

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Alderman Winn came before the Board to urge that work be begun at Wood Island Park and that it be done so far as possible by day labor, and if done by contract that so far as possible it be done by employing citizens of East Boston.

President Gilbert of the Boston Electric Light Company stated to the Board what he had previously said to the Mayor to the effect that it would be no object to the Company to lay the cable for lighting the Fens unless they were to have the lighting contract, but that the Board could contract direct with the New York Company for laying the cable.

Mr. George S. Curtis came before the Board to request a revision of the grading plan for his land and after discussion it was

Voted, that if Mr. Curtis consents the Engineer in Charge be authorized to readjust the grading so far as it can be without grading the subsoil.

The plans for Bath houses at Wood Island Park were submitted by Sturgis & Cabot and were referred back to them for estimates of cost of construction.

Mr. Olmsted reported that he would recommend that the upper end of the Nickerson bank be sloped off and that loam be applied in pockets and the bank planted with vines and shrubs, and it was Voted, that George A. Nickerson be invited to come before the Board at its next meeting to confer in regard to the treatment of the bank on the Nickerson estate.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a report upon the complaint of Mrs. Kate L. Page which was read and it was Voted, that a copy of the report be sent to Mrs. Page.

A letter was received from Mess. Bacon & Tarbell in regard to a complaint of W. S. Littlefield & it was Voted, that a copy of Mess. Bacon & Tarbell's reply to the complaint of W. S. Littlefield in regard to the carriage service at Franklin Park be

sent to Mr. Littlefield for his information.

A communication from the Landscape Architects requesting authority to order trees for the Parkway and Beaver Street at a probable cost of seven hundred and fifty dollars was received and Mr. Olmsted recommended further the purchase of a large stock of shrubs etc. from G. A. Parker of Halifax Mass. who was giving up business and it was Voted, that Mess Olmsted be authorized to purchase trees as recommended by them in his letter of 11th. inst. at not exceeding seven hundred and fifty dollars also to purchase shrubs and trees in addition from G. A. Parker to an amount not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Voted, that the Mayor be requested to furnish the Department with the additional sum of Twenty thousand dollars for maintenance as suggested by him in his communication to the City Council of Feb. 13. 1893.

The following was received:

" Health Department, September 25, 1893.

12 Beacon Street, Boston.

" Board of Park Commissioners:

" Gentlemen:- The Mill Pond in Charlestown is still in a state of nuisance and offensive to persons passing through Alford street. As there are now no contributions to this nuisance by private individuals, this Department feels that the City should take measures to cause it to be abated. If that portion of the Pond bordering on Alford Street is to be filled with green earth and the offensive materials dumped in the Pond, kept away from that vicinity, the cause of complaint would be very materially lessened.

Very respectfully.

B. E. Davis Jr."

and it was

Voted. (see page 291.)

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Voted, that the Chairman be authorized to make arrangements with the Superintendent of Streets to surface the end of Dorchesterway near Five Corners, the expense to be charged to this department.

Voted, that the Secretary inquire of the Jamaica Pond Ice Co. whether the collage and empty ice houses on Pond street may not now be disposed of by auction and removed.

Voted, that a hearing to Joseph M. Trade and others on their petition for the extension of Dorchesterway from Five Corners to Upham's Corner be set for two weeks from to-day and the Secretary notify them accordingly.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase about one hundred and fifty linear feet of curbstone from the Street Department provided it can be obtained at one dollar and thirty five cents per linear foot.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to purchase not exceeding one thousand double loads of loam for the Riverway at not exceeding one dollar and twenty ^{five} cents per double load.

Mr. Sprague left the meeting to attend a meeting of the Committee of Streets and Sewers of the Board of Aldermen.

The bond of the New England Telephone & Telegraph Company as required under the votes of this Board of September 5, 1893, was received and accepted, and placed on file.

Voted, that the City Treasurer be requested to pay to Annie Tufts, Widow of William Tufts, the amount due him on the Pay rolls of this Department.

Voted, that Mr. Howe be authorized to obtain gas from the Brookline Gas Co. for lighting the Administration Building, also to purchase such

gas fixtures as might be desired.
 Mr. Howe submitted Mr. Andrew Garberry's claim for additional compensation under his contract for grading on Arborway and his offer to settle said claim, and finish the work on Arborway by borrowing four or five thousand cubic yards, if he could be allowed ten cents a cubic yard advance on this work and on that already done, and the matter was laid on the table.

The application of E. F. Stevens for permission to sell and let skates at Jamaica Pond was received and laid on the table.

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Voted, that a letter be sent to the Board of Health that the action they recommend is being carried out so far as the material can be obtained.

The following was received:

Street Department, City Hall, Sept. 20, 1893.
 Board of Park Commissioners, 53 State St.
 Gentlemen:- My attention is called to the fact that Pond Street, in Dorchester from Boston Street to Cottage Street, where it has been taken for your parkway, has been left in unfinished condition, and it is also open at each end so that accidents are liable to occur there. It would seem as if the parkway should be fenced up and lighted until this work is made safe.
 Your work, also, at the corner of Boston and Pond streets has left the street in dangerous condition, and I desire to call this matter to your attention. Your truly, H. H. Butler, Subt. of Streets."

and it was Voted, (For this vote see page 290.)

Adjourned to Oct. 2. at 2.30 P.M.

Geo. F. Clarke,
 Secy.

Boston, Oct. 2. 1893.

An adjourned meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 2.30 P.M. Present messrs. Kendrick and Parker, Mr. Sprague being absent from the City.

Also present His Honor the Mayor and messrs Jackson, Howe, & F. L. and J. C. Olmsted.

F. A. Gilbert President of the Boston Electric Light Co. submitted figures of cost of extending the proposed electric lights along the Muddy River Improvement at the same rate as given for the Back Bay Fens as follows:

"The iron lamp posts set in cement, with octagon hoods, hanging board for lamp, cut-out in bottom of post and, connected to circuit complete, forty-five dollars each. The underground cable laid in suitable iron pipe, including trench holes and man holes, and laying of the same complete, bringing the cable to the hanging board of the lamp, twenty five cents per running foot of cable." Both subject to advance or decrease in cost of manufacture. With the Mayor's consent a contract for lighting the Back Bay Fens and Muddy River was executed.

Mr. Queter presented a plan of wall and entrance on his estate adjoining the Parkway, and it was voted, to pay one thousand dollars towards said wall and permit an entrance to the Parkway under the usual conditions upon his releasing grade damages and signing an agreement for restrictions in the form applicable to the Parkway, Muddy River.

Mr. George A. Nickerson was present to discuss the proposed treatment of the bank on the Nickerson estate and the matter was postponed pending further investigation by Mr. Olmsted and the Engineer in Charge who were requested to confer with Mr. Nickerson on the ground.

A communication from the Mayor, dated September

27th amending his former suggestion for the extension of the bridle path in Franklin Park was received, read, and the matter discussed, and it was

Voted, that Mr. Olmsted be requested to prepare the best scheme that seems to be possible for extending the saddle path in Franklin Park.

The Mayor suggested the dropping of the Strandway construction and substituting the construction of the buildings at the Marine Park, the Refectory at Franklin Park, and the taking of land for a Parkway from the Arboretum to Muddy Pond Woods.

Voted, that the City Engineer be authorized to make surveys for the proposed Parkway from Arnold Arboretum to Muddy Pond Woods on alternate lines to be indicated by Mr. Olmsted.

Voted, that the Landscape Architects be requested to prepare a plan for a parkway from Franklin Park to Muddy Pond Woods.

Voted, that the City Engineer prepare specifications and advertise a contract for surfacing Tremontway from Tremont Street to Perkins Street.

Voted, that the City Engineer be requested to report upon the advisability of excavating Ward's Pond under the present contract with Moulton and O'Mahoney.

The matter of additional funds for the Park maintenance was discussed with the Mayor who stated that he would secure the amount necessary.

The Commission estimated that twenty thousand dollars would be required to carry the Department through the balance of the year on the present basis.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to contract for the filling of that part of the Tremont Entrance adjoining land of Thompson and Ward by teams.

Mr. Jackson submitted the final plans for the Bridle path bridge for the Riverway near Audubon Road which were approved and the City Engineer

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was authorized to advertise for proposals immediately.

Mr. Howe submitted a plan for changes in retaining wall on the Riverway between Longwood Avenue and Francis Street which was approved, and it was Voted, that the Chairman notify the Contractor to make said changes under Article "H" of his contract.

The request of Dr. Ernst for certain flag stones from the Frothingham estate made through Mr. Sprague was referred to the Engineer in Charge.

The offer of Professor Sargent to replant and assume the care of the plantation on the Pusey Hill reservation upon the payment of two hundred dollars for the cost of replanting, made through Mr. Sprague, was referred to the Landscape Architects for examination and report.

Voted, to assume the betterments upon estates belonging respectively to Otis H. Weed and John Devine on account of the laying out of the public park in Roxbury, known as the Parkway, Muddy River, by an Act of this Board passed April 30, 1890, provided that said Weed and Devine shall severally release to the City of Boston all claims for damages on account of the locating, laying out, and construction of said Park, shall execute and deliver to said City, deeds of all the lands included in or abutting on Kimball Street which were taken by said act from them, or either of them, or from the devisees under the will of J. J. Anson Guild, said deeds to include all the covenants, agreements, restrictions and conditions contained in the printed form of Public Park Deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, and shall cause to be executed and delivered to said City by said devisees a release of all their claims for damages on account of said taking, all said instruments to be satisfactory to the City Solicitor.

A communication was received from Sturgis & Cabot submitting a preliminary bid of sixteen thousand

five hundred and sixty eight dollars for the proposed Athletic building or "Field House" at Wood Island Park and a bid for erecting the proposed bathing establishment at the same Park of thirteen thousand six hundred and nine dollars with iron roof and fifteen thousand eight hundred and two dollars with copper. It was then

Voted, that the Secretary in conference with the Architects advertise for proposals for the Field House and the portion of the Bathing establishment containing the Women's Waiting Room and toilet.

The request of Officer D. C. Thornton for leave of absence for two weeks without pay was granted.

A communication was received from W. S. Littlefield in regard to his controversy with Bacon & Tarbell, read and placed on file.

Voted, that the Boston Herald be permitted to publish cuts of the buildings to be erected at Wood Island Park and Charlestown.

The following were received read and placed on file.

" City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen,
" July 10. 1893.

" Ordered: That so much of the order concerning
" abatement of Marine Park Extension Betterments,
" passed by the City Council, and approved by the
" Mayor June 7. 1893. as relates to the presentation
" of bills to the Board of Park Commissioners for
" approval, be and the same is hereby rescinded.
" Passed. Sent down for concurrence. September 21
" came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
" September 27. 1893. A true copy.

Attest: John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk.

" City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen,
" July 10. 1893.

" Ordered, That the Board of Park Commissioners
" prepare bills in accordance with the provisions
" of the order relating to abatement of the Marine

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" Park Extension betterments, approved by the
" Mayor June 7, 1893, and deliver said bills to the
" City Collector and the City Treasurer, in order to
" facilitate the work of abating said assessments as
" authorized by Chapter 258 of the Acts of 1893.
" Passed. Sent down for concurrence. September 21
" Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor
" September 27, 1893. A true copy.

" Attest: John J. Priest. Asst. City Clerk."
The following was received and referred to the
Chairman for reply.

" City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen.
" September 25, 1893.

" Ordered, that the Park Commissioners inform
" this Board, at its next meeting, what action has
" been taken in regard to the taking of Quincy Street,
" Charlestown, for park purposes.

" Passed. A true copy. Attest: John J. Priest.

Asst. City Clerk.

Voted, that the contract for grading at Wood Island
Park be awarded to O'Connor & White and the amount
of bond required be fixed at ten thousand dollars.
A communication was received from A. J. Lovett re-
questing permission to construct a hurdle for jumping
horses at Franklin Park which was read and the
Secretary was directed to reply that the Board is not in
a position under the undeveloped condition of the
park to make such provision at present.

Voted, that the Secretary arrange with L. Foster
Morse for the sale of the ice house property
on Pond Street.

Voted, that the applications of Gilbert J. Raymond
for permission to sell skates and skate straps and
to sharpen skates and of E. J. Stevens for permission
to sell and ice skates at Jamaica Pond be granted
for this season under the supervision of the Sergeant
of the Park Police in all respects as to the particular
location and manner of doing said business.

Voted, that R. E. Young be permitted to pasture cows at Franklin Field during the rest of this season at his own risk.

Mr. Olmsted submitted a plan for a tool house on the Parkway north of Tremont Street which was approved and it was

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge obtain bids for erecting the same.

Mr. Olmsted also presented a plan for grading in connection with proposed bath houses at Muddy Pond.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge grade according to said plan so far as material is required for filling on the parkway.

Voted, that the Engineer in Charge be authorized to employ an additional clerk, also to increase the pay of J. S. Praman, tallyman, from two dollars to two dollars and twenty five cents per day.

Adjourned to October 9. at 2.30 P. M.

Geo. F. Kellogg,
Secy

Boston, October, 9. 1893.

A meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners was held at its office at 1.30 P. M.

Present messrs Kendrick, Walker and Sprague. Also present messrs Jackson, Howe and J. B. Olmsted.

The records of the last meeting were read and approved.

Mr. James Jeffrey Roach of the Metropolitan Park Commission and Secretary Herbert Carruth were present for a conference on the subject of the taking of a part of the Muddy Pond Woods for a public park by the Metropolitan Board and the laying out of a connecting Parkway from the Arnold Arboretum by this Board with a view to simultaneous action

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Mr. Barneth also referred to the Dorchester Park which he had been instrumental in bringing to the attention of the Board and suggested that an approach to the park from the Ashmont District should be arranged by securing a part of the Bonvalessents Home property and obtaining an outlet to Bodman street. The matter was referred to Mr. Sprague to confer with the Engineer in Charge and prepare a plan for such outlet and submit the same to the Trustees of the City Hospital with a view to securing their consent to the use of so much of their grounds for park purposes as may be found to be desirable.

Mr. E. H. Bowman came before the Board in the matter of his claim for damages for the taking of a portion of his estate on Seaver street for Park purposes. He submitted an estimate of the cost of moving his houses back from the line of the street amounting to fifteen hundred and twenty dollars and offered to take this sum in settlement in addition to seventy cents per foot for the land taken or a total of twenty three hundred and eighty-seven $\frac{30}{100}$ dollars.

It was thereupon

Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed March 27, 1893, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land on Seaver street, in that part of the City of Boston which was formerly Roxbury, belonging to several persons and parties, whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Edward H. Bowman as appears by said act, there be awarded and paid to the said Edward H. Bowman the sum of twenty three hundred and eighty seven $\frac{30}{100}$ dollars upon his giving a deed for the same containing all the covenants agreements restrictions and conditions contained in the public park deed for the Parkway, Muddy River, excepting that the clauses re-

lating to setting back of buildings may read: twenty feet instead of twenty five feet and that said restrictions shall not apply to the present buildings when moved back at least fifteen feet from the park line at the nearest point and upon his giving an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

Messrs Francis J. Ward and George J. Adams came before the Board in reference to damages for the taking of the lands of F. J. and Sylvester L. Ward for Franklin Field. Mr. Ward said that the upland was worth ten cents per foot and the meadow two cents. Last spring they offered it to the Board for an average price of five cents per foot and they would take that now. He said the upland was high and it afforded material to fill the meadow. Mr. Parker and Mr. Andrew Ward who were also present gave their opinion of the value of the land the latter stating that he had seen the whole property moved with a mowing machine.

The secretary stated that Mr. Woodward Emery had offered to settle the case of Samuel and Augustus P. Bradstreet for the taking of land for Franklin Field for two cents per foot and interest, and it was Voted, that whereas by an act of this Board passed May 14, 1892, a public park was located and laid out in the City of Boston by taking in fee certain parcels of land at or near Totten and Blue Hill Avenues in Dorchester, belonging to several persons and parties whereof a certain parcel of land belonged to Samuel and Augustus P. Bradstreet as appears by said act there be awarded and paid to the said Samuel and Augustus P. Bradstreet the sum

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of five thousand seven hundred and 500 dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks. A hearing was given to Andrew Barbary on his claim for extra compensation under his contract for grading on Arborway. Mr. Barbary was represented by George Fred Williams who introduced the evidence of Mr. Rawlings and Mr. Northington, competent engineers who stated that the plans were defective and misleading and there was a great omission in not showing water on the plans. Mr. Williams stated that Mr. Barbary's figures of the cost of the work showed a loss to him of forty eight hundred dollars. He said that Mr. Barbary had been ruined and that unless he could obtain the final payment under his contract he would be obliged to go into insolvency. He therefore asked that the final estimate be paid without prejudice to his claim for extra compensation, subsequently it was Voted, that the Chairman arrange a settlement of the Andrew Barbary claim at not exceeding five cents per cubic yard in addition to the contract price.

Mr. O'Connor presented the names of bondsmen under his contract for grading at Wood Island Park which were referred to the Chairman and Mr. Sprague to canvass for approval.

Voted, that the second approximate estimate of Austin Ford & Son for furnishing curbstones for the Park Bay Piers be allowed and paid notwithstanding the penalty for delay in completing the work under said contract.

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of Five thousand seventy five and $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars upon their proving title thereto and giving a deed for the same, also an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, satisfactory to the City Solicitor; and that the Chairman sign a request on the City Auditor for a special draft in favor of said payment; said amount to be charged to the appropriation for Public Parks.

A hearing was given to Andrew Barberry on his claim for extra compensation under his contract for grading on Arborway. Mr. Barberry was represented by George Fred Williams who introduced the evidence of Mr. Rawlings and Mr. Worthington, competent engineers who stated that the plans were defective and misleading and there was a great omission in not showing water on the plans. Mr. Williams stated that Mr. Barberry's figures of the cost of the work showed a loss to him of forty eight hundred dollars. He said that Mr. Barberry had been ruined and that unless he could obtain the final payment under his contract he would be obliged to go into insolvency. He therefore asked that the final estimate be paid without prejudice to his claim for extra compensation, subsequently it was voted, that the Chairman arrange a settlement of the Andrew Barberry claim at not exceeding five cents per cubic yard in addition to the contract price.

Mr. O'Connor presented the names of bondemen under his contract for grading at Wood Island Park which were referred to the Chairman and Mr. Sprague to canvass for approval.

Voted, that the second approximate estimate of Austin Ford & Son for furnishing curbstones for the Back Bay Fens be allowed and paid notwithstanding the penalty for delay in completing the work under said contract.

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